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Man hunt fails to nab theft suspects

Police helicopters, dogs, in Gooderham chase

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

Two car thieves out-manoeuvred a police road block, eluded 15 police officers, and then managed to steal a truck and drive safely back to Toronto.

As an added affront, the next morning police discovered that nine cottages had been broken into — about two kilometres from where the search had been centred.

It all started on Tuesday morning, when an attentive resident in Cavendish Township noticed a car slowly driving along King's Road, just off Highway 507. The driver and his occupant would stop in front of a residence, look at it, and then slowly drive ahead, repeating the process at the next residence.

"They appeared to be checking the properties (with the intention of breaking in)," says Detective Sgt. Al Collicutt of the

Peterborough OPP. Suspicious of such behaviour, the resident phoned the OPP, who did a computer search of the licence plate number. It turned out that the 1986 Camaro had been stolen from Toronto on March 31.

The Peterborough OPP dispatched a cruiser, which located the Camaro and began to give chase. Meanwhile, the Minden OPP had been contacted and told that the car was coming up Hwy

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ON THE TRAIL: Three members of the Peterborough canine unit begin searching the area north of Tamarack Lake Road near Gooderham last Tuesday. A police road block failed to stop two car thieves, resulting in a search that involved 15 OPP officers from Minden and Peterborough. The two men weren't found. It's likely that they later broke into several cottages, taking the stolen items back to Toronto in a truck they stole from a driveway just down the road from where these policemen had searched.

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Taxpayers ask for a school budget increase

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Taxpayers demanding a school budget increase?

It's true.

After seeing how a zero increase in this year's school budget would slash programs and extra-curricular activities, parents have asked Haliburton trustees to increase expenditures over last year.

And trustees have complied.

The management committee voted last Tuesday night to recommend a 3.9 per cent increase in expenditures for the 1994-95 budget. That will mean spending \$640,000 more than the board spent in 1993.

The recommendation is subject to the amount of grant payments from the province. Substantial cuts in grants would force the board to take another look at the

figure.

In justifying the increase, Chairman Wally Bunn told trustees they had a responsibility beyond the bottom line.

"We're here to look after the kids," said Bunn. "If we don't, who will?"

The committee had heard a presentation from the Friends of Dorset School and read more than 20 letters from parents and

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Petition and red tape stale SIRCH house

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

A Haliburton house-raising project, involving more than 100 volunteers, fell into a bureaucratic quagmire last week, only days before construction was due to begin.

The entire project is now in jeopardy.

The house-building project, which was to be an example of community spirit and goodwill, began to unravel a week ago when the proposed location for the women's emergency house was discovered and neighbours mounted a protest. (See 'Petition').

A second location, found on Friday, is bogged down in red tape because the municipality is having second thoughts about the

project's single-family zoning.

Volunteers from across the county have offered their time and skills to work on the house, which was to be built in one week starting May 7. The concrete foundation was to be poured on April 25.

The project is being run by S.I.R.C.H. (Supportive Initiatives for Residents of the County of Haliburton).

Co-ordinator Jude King said construction materials, appliances and furniture have all been donated.

Volunteers, including church groups, skilled trades workers, Girl Guides and high school students, have arranged time off for the week of construction.

If council doesn't issue the building permit this week, the plans could collapse.

Families on George Street in Haliburton discovered their street was the first choice for the house when surveyors showed up at the proposed site a week ago.

They hadn't been given any information on how the house would be run, and feared it would be the site of violent disturbances.

Residents quickly organized a petition asking Dysart et al council to refuse a building permit, and S.I.R.C.H. was left scrambling to explain itself to frightened residents.

Before council could meet to discuss the protest, however, the deal to sell the property to S.I.R.C.H. fell through.

But a second location, selected but as yet unannounced, could become bogged down in red tape

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A LOSING BATTLE: Gloria and Jim Carnochan have been defeated in their attempts to stave off the repossession of Backwoods Marina on Kennis Lake. The Federal Business Development Bank seized the marina last Friday after the Carnochans had fought for a year to keep the business going.

Backwoods Marina shut down by federal bank

Debt load forces Kennis Lake re-possession

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Claiming that they were victims of deceit and unfair financial practices, the operators of Backwoods Marina launched a media assault on their banker last week, but were unable to stop foreclosure on the Kennis Lake property.

The marina was repossessed on Friday by the Federal Business Development Bank (FBDB) but Gloria and Jim Carnochan said they will keep fighting.

As a result of their battle, MP John O'Reilly is demanding an investigation into the handling of the account by the FBDB, which is a federal agency.

In the meantime the future of the marina remains in doubt. Days before the foreclosure, the

Carnochans took the 35 winter-stored boats at the marina to a property they own nearby, and closed down the business. Seven employees have lost their jobs.

The FBDB was unable to tell the Echo if, or when, the property would be sold, or if the business will re-open.

The Carnochans' story appeared on Peterborough and Barrie television and radio stations last week after they contacted the media outlets.

Gloria Carnochan said she hoped the attention would force the federal government to intercede.

"For most people it's their dirty laundry," she said. "They don't like to air it in public....The main reason we're doing it is to make this deal come clean and above board."

She said bank representatives had been "deceitful and unethical" in their handling of the case over the last year. Their refusal to negotiate, she said, meant her 83-year-old father-in-law is now in danger of being turfed out of his home, which was pledged as security against the mortgages.

A spokesman for the bank refused to discuss the Carnochans' case specifically but said the bank follows the rules.

"What is foremost is the ultimate repayment ability," said Neil McGrath, of the bank's Peterborough office, who has been involved in the negotiations with the Carnochans. "If we occur losses the taxpayer foots the bill....Selling is very much a last step. It's not taken lightly."

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Here, There and Everywhere...

The Haliburton Literacy Centre is doing quite well and getting busier every day. It still is in need of some items for its new office in the health unit building across from the Haliburton liquor store. Is there anyone out there with an office desk (with drawers) and a chair that they would be willing to donate to the centre? Staff would also welcome a vacuum cleaner. If you can help this worthwhile organization, please call 457-3430. Meanwhile, *The Echo* extends its condolences to literacy coordinator Barbara Nangle, whose husband Bob recently died from cancer. Mr. Nangle was the long-time fire chief at Stanhope, and during his illness he was able to spend much of his time at home, thanks to the love and caring of his family.

A reader phoned to complain about how 'black' *The Echo* had been in recent weeks. Every time she read it her fingers were covered in ink. There are a couple of reasons for this: first, most printing plants, including McLaren Press Ltd. in Bracebridge which prints *The Echo*, now use soya-based inks because they are more 'environmentally friendly'. Unfortunately, they tend to rub off a little more easily than older ink formulas. A second reason that the ink tends to come off on readers' hands is related to the weather. When it's humid, as in spring, the newsprint absorbs moisture from the air and the ink doesn't dry as well. A third reason is that all newsprint now contains a proportion of recycled paper, and as a result, it's characteristics are slightly different than in the past. It's not as white, and to save costs, it's also thinner. All these factors mean that *The Echo*, and other newspapers, tend to leave a little bit of ink on your hands. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Don't forget that the deadline for the Why I Love My Lake contest is April 30. We've received a few entries already and look forward to reading more about the glories of the Highlands.

The Spring newsletter of the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists outlines coming events: April 28 at 7:30 at the Haliburton Museum, tree identification and old growth hemlock, with Mike Turner; May 19 at 6:30, campfire and pot luck at Snowdon Park, which the club is managing on behalf of Snowdon Township; June 23 at 7:30 p.m., tour of Haliburton Museum and Grounds with Tom Ballantine; and June 25, a discussion on wolves by Peter Schleifenbaum, Haliburton Forest.

The Liberal tourism critic at Queen's Park has asked the government to spend more money on promoting Ontario. MPP Hugh O'Neil from Quinte says that in the past seven years, the Ontario tourism marketing budget has been cut from \$25.5-million to \$13.6-million. "Additional marketing dollars directed at this time, at the U.S. and European markets alone, could be a source of hundreds of millions of dollars of new tax revenue for the province, not to mention the many jobs that would be created or restored," says O'Neil.

A home-cooked meal and a dance? What better way to spend an evening than to attend the Haliburton Legion Seniors Dinner and Dance Party. The pot luck dinner will be followed by dancing to the tunes played by "that old spinner himself", Owen Burman. Seniors are invited to bring a friend and your favourite dish to the Legion on April 21 at 6 p.m.

Have you noticed the unsightly mess of litter that appears along the county's roadsides when the snow melts? The Rotary Club of Haliburton invites you to help get rid of it. On Saturday, May 7, club members will be heading out in teams to pick up garbage along the roadsides leading into the village of Haliburton. If you, your family, or your organization would like to help Rotary express some pride in the community, come on out and join the cleanup effort. It's amazing what a few willing hands can accomplish in a morning. If you'd like more information, call Len Pizzezy at *The Echo*, 457-1037.

Two fugitives elude police

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507 towards Gooderham. (The boundary between detachments is the boundary between Peterborough and Haliburton counties, a few kilometres south of Gooderham.)

Two Minden cruisers were dispatched to the bridge at the corner of Hwys. 507 and 503, just south of the blinking light.

West Guilford resident Robert Barry was on his way to Cobourg with his neighbour, Brad Bryant. They turned onto Hwy. 507 where the Minden police stopped them and asked them to park on the north side of the bridge. A short while later, Barry saw the Camaro driving quickly towards them, with the police cruiser in pursuit.

"We sat there, all eyes, watching the fracas go by," says Barry. "They were just flying. (When the Camaro approached the road block), I figured the ball game was over. But they're not dead strangers to the country."

Instead of stopping at the road block, the car turned east along the road that leads to Hunter Lumber. "He wasn't wasting any time when he went around that corner," Barry recalls. "I thought he'd lose it."

But the car raced through the lumber yard and then along the muddy snowmobile trail which comes out at the community centre. All three cruisers were seconds behind it.

"You couldn't help but laugh," says Barry, adding that the whole thing reminded him of a scene from a movie.

The car had to stop at the wide creek which dissects the snowmobile trail. The two occupants jumped out of the car and raced into the woods. Det. Sgt. Collicutt says a couple of officers gave chase but were unable to catch the fleeing men.

The occupants of the car are both white men, aged 17 to 20, of average height and slim build. One had collar length dirty blonde hair and wore blue jeans and a distinctive heavy metal rock jacket.

"There was no reason to use force," says Det. Sgt. Collicutt. "(The road block) was all set up. We hoped they would stop."

The police wanted to catch the two men because there had been other break and enters in the same area last week, and the car had been stolen. As well, there



Minden OPP Const. Mike Maybee, second from right, gives directions to members of Peterborough's canine unit team who were in Gooderham to help search for two car thieves last Tuesday

had been another car theft which seemed to be linked.

To help them find the men, the police called in the canine unit from Peterborough and the OPP helicopter from Brampton. Several police officers were dispatched to various points in the area. "We feel we have an area contained and that they are in this area," Det. Sgt. Collicutt said early on Tuesday afternoon. That area was basically within the boundaries of Hwys. 503 and 507, the dump road and Tamarack Lake Road.

Altogether there were 15 officers involved, which neither the Minden nor Peterborough OPP says is unusual.

"We put the same effort into everything," says Minden Sgt. Steven Adam. Det. Sgt. Collicutt agrees. "The car was stolen. We're required by law to enforce the statute and we're going to send enough officers to do the job properly... Once they ran into the bush it became more involved."

"We didn't do any more than we do anywhere else," he says. "All we're trying to do is our job."

There were searches in the morning and afternoon. In the morning, children at the Gooderham school stayed indoors until the police said it was safe for the children to play outdoors.

There was a brisk lunch crowd at Kei's Restaurant at the junction of the two highways. The sight of so many officers and a helicopter was indeed the talk of the town, and rumours were flying about the two men who were being sought.

There was even talk that they were the people involved in a shotgun killing at a Toronto cafe the previous week, although the men didn't fit the description of the men wanted in that case.

The search was called off in late afternoon and everything was quiet again until 5:30 the next morning.

David Graham lives with his family on Tamarack Lake Road, about a mile from where the Camaro was abandoned. Just as he was waking up on Wednesday, he thought he heard a vehicle driving south, probably along the Trooper Lake Road which is just a short distance away. It was 5:30 a.m.

At 6 a.m. next door, his mother Pearl Graham saw his truck drive away on Tamarack Lake Road. She wondered why her son was driving to work so early. Graham has a truck from his workplace, Schwandt Lumber in Gooderham.

Fifteen minutes later, Mrs. Graham phoned her son's house and was surprised to hear her son answer. If he was at home, who

was driving his truck. Graham went outside and found that his truck was indeed missing, and it had been replaced by two bicycles. He phoned the police and used one of the bicycles to get into work.

"It sounds comical but that's the way it happens," says Graham, who was the cause célèbre at work all that day. People kept dropping by the store, more interested in picking up some news than some hardware supplies. "The people are still rolling in to catch up on the gossip," he said the next day.

The truck was eventually recovered in Scarborough, in the same area that another stolen car had been found, says Det. Sgt. Collicutt. Both the Camaro and Graham's 1990 GMC truck are being searched for clues.

As Minden OPP tracked down the two bicycles that Graham found at his house, they discovered that nine cottages had been broken into on Trooper Lake Road. Cottage owners were called and many of them drove up on the weekend to determine what had been stolen. (Graham says some gas was stolen from a cottage so the car thieves wouldn't have to stop for gas.)

Minden OPP says the car theft and the cottage break-ins are probably related.

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Petition is a result of poor public relations

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The protest against the women's emergency house on George Street in Haliburton started when surveyors showed up at the proposed site last Monday. Until then residents had no idea the house was to be built on their street.

With no information available from the organizers of the house, a petition was quickly circulated and sent to Dysart et al council demanding the construction, due to start this Monday, be stopped.

Ron Draper, who lives opposite the proposed site and organized the petition, said he feared the emergency home would disrupt the neighbourhood.

"It's in a residential zone, it's not the correct area. I really feel it should be in a secluded area, where it can be more secretive," said Draper.

Because some of the women will be leaving an abusive relationship, Draper was worried there could be violent confrontations at the house.

He said he got 15 neighbours' names on his petition (there are 18 houses on the street), plus five from Spruce Street, a block away.

Jude King, the co-ordinator for the project, said that S.I.R.C.H. had planned to advise the neigh-

bours once the title legalities were sorted out.

She said it would have been "irresponsible" to announce the location before a deal was finalized.

That happened last week, and King said it was unfortunate the information got out before she'd had the opportunity to talk to residents.

She spoke to them last Tuesday, the day after the petition had circulated, and found only two people adamantly opposed to the house location after the details had been explained.

Sonya Paterson, a single mother whose home is next door to the property, said she'd already volunteered to work on the construction when she discovered she'd be a neighbour.

"When I heard it was going here, I was dead against it. I was afraid of violence," she said. "But (now it's been explained) I'm not opposed to it. The women need to be close to town."

She said she'd phoned Dysart council to tell them she no longer wanted her name on the petition.

Another George Street resident, who lives two houses away from the proposed site, said he, too, accepted the project once it had been explained to him by the organizers.

"They satisfied my questions," said Kris Kadwell, who said he put his name on the petition but didn't sign it because he didn't know enough about it when Draper came to his house.

Kadwell and his wife Rosie moved to the street in December. They have two young children.

"If everyone said not-in-my-backyard it wouldn't go anywhere. We can't put them out in the sticks, if something does occur here perhaps someone else will hear the ruckus and call the police."

His wife agreed. "I guess my position is it has to go somewhere," said Rosie Kadwell. "I think a lot of people are going to be concerned, but I'm for it."

They said their only complaint now was that they should have been told sooner.

Other Haliburton residents, out on George Street last Saturday at two yard sales, said they would worry if it was next door to them but wouldn't oppose it because they felt there was a need for the home in the county.

Women leaving abusive relationships currently have to go to a shelter in Peterborough, often disrupting their children's schooling and their own jobs.



THE FIRST INSTALLMENT: MP John O'Reilly presents members of SIRCH (Supportive Initiatives for Residents of the County of Haliburton) with the first cheque for the Community Action Program for Children. Over the next four years, SIRCH will receive a total of \$874,880 to "increase positive interaction between parents and their children and empower families through participation in planning, implementation and evaluation of programs for children at risk." From left are Gena Robertson, administrative officer for SIRCH, Gord Schakelaar, president of the board of CHACE, Sue Valm, executive director of CHACE, and O'Reilly.

Confusion, red tape threaten building

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because Dysart council is now concerned about how to zone the house and may refuse a building permit on those grounds.

The emergency house would be a three-bedroom, 1,400 sq.ft. bungalow that would house as many as four people (a woman and her children) who have left their own home.

The family would stay at the house for as long as three weeks, receiving counselling and practical aid from S.I.R.C.H.

Only one family could live in the house at a time, but Dysart Reeve Curry Bishop said he was worried about the future use of the home.

"Basically, if we want to do it properly, we should be re-zoning," said Bishop.

He said the type of use, and the number of people living at the house, could change in the future and it could be necessary for council to make a special zoning designation.

"Eventually it could just be a

horror story. The first time something happened someone will complain and they (S.I.R.C.H.) will be charged with a contravention of zoning."

The protest, petition, sale collapse and change of site all took place within a few days, leaving those involved unsure of what the status of the project was.

By Sunday the situation was so confused that while Bishop was saying he didn't think the project could go ahead, S.I.R.C.H. staff were saying the group involved in putting together the new deal—which included some councillors — were sure work could begin on schedule at the new site.

Gena Robertson, the executive director of S.I.R.C.H., said lawyers had confirmed the proposed use fit the single-family zoning requirements.

She said the home would not put neighbours at risk.

The house would have a security system and the women going into the house would have an

assessment done. If there was a history of serious violence in the family they would be sent to the shelter in Peterborough.

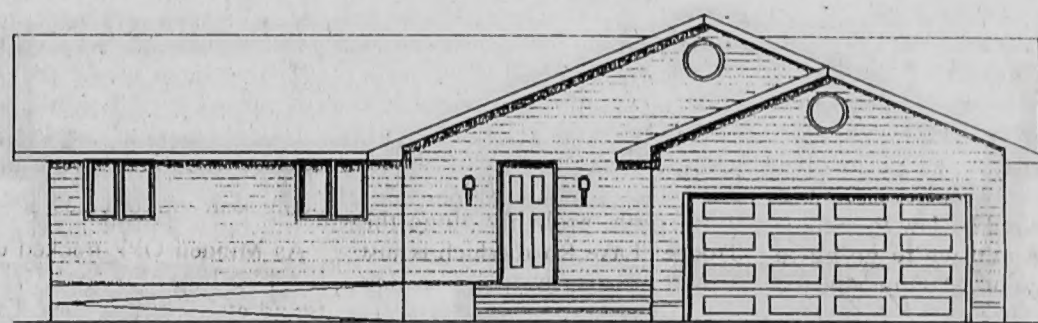
Last week, in response to the George Street petition, Robertson said that abusers were already a part of the community.

"We are in the grocery store and go to church with abusers. They could (already) be on your street or mine."

She said abusers rarely target others, and there was little potential for violence. The shelter in Peterborough, which houses as many as 40 people, had to call the police no more than once or twice a year.

The house is designed to fit into the neighbourhood, with no signs to identify it. S.I.R.C.H. would be responsible for maintaining the property, from cutting the grass to picking up litter.

Representatives from S.I.R.C.H. met with council last night (Monday) to try and sort out the zoning problem and get the project back on track.



An architect's drawing of the proposed women's emergency home, being organized by S.I.R.C.H., shows a three-bedroom, 1,400 sq.ft. bungalow.

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Marina closes after year-long battle with creditors

Investigation threatened after Backwoods Marina goes out of business amid charges of deceit

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The FBDB is a crown corporation that gives financial backing to small businesses, many of them high risk businesses that other banks won't touch.

Despite the risks, McGrath said that in his 15 years with the bank he hadn't found it a common occurrence to repossess.

And he defended the way the bank does business.

"We would deal in a full and open manner with our borrower. It is never our intent to mislead,"

Victoria-Haliburton MP John O'Reilly disagreed.

"The bank has indicated it's above board, and has followed a clear route (with the Carnochans). I haven't found that to be the case," said O'Reilly. "The bank has been less than honest with them."

He said he had tried to help the Carnochans after they contacted him last fall. His attempts had failed, he said, because of the FBDB's refusal to co-operate.

In one instance he had been told by the bank that it had sent a writ of possession to the Carnochans, only to discover a week later that it hadn't been sent.

There are mortgages totalling \$515,000 against the property, guaranteed by the Carnochans, and payments haven't been made for more than a year.

O'Reilly said there was no question the marina was over-financed, but the FBDB had to share the blame.

"They gave the money based on projections (of business success). They didn't do their homework."

"I've asked the Minister of Finance for a thorough investigation," he said.

The marina has been in trouble since the Carnochans sold the business in March 1992. Within a year the new owners, Bernard and Helen Ireland, had declared bankruptcy.

As guarantors of FBDB mortgages the Carnochans were forced to move back in, in May of 1993, and try and make what arrangements they could with the FBDB.

Negotiations went on through last summer and into the fall, with the bank threatening foreclosure.

There were an estimated \$50,000 in arrears from the Irelands, and the Carnochans have refused to make any payments since they took the marina back. Gloria Carnochan said they wanted to know first if they did or didn't own the property.

The Carnochans are at risk of losing not only the marina, but other property they had pledged as security. It includes the Carnochan family home in Port Perry, where Mr. Carnochan's father lives, and a piece of land adjacent to the marina.

Mrs. Carnochan said her husband's construction business was also under threat if the bank pursues their other assets.

With talks with the bank going nowhere last summer, the Carnochans began a letter-writing campaign seeking help from politicians.

In August Senator Trevor Eyton, who owns a cottage on Kennis Lake, wrote to the FBDB asking them to reconsider their decision to foreclose.

The Carnochans also wrote to Prime Minister Jean Chrétien, then the opposition party leader, whose Liberal party was promising to make the FBDB more helpful to small businesses if it won last October's election.

The bank has a history of involvement with the Backwoods Marina. The Carnochans took title from FBDB in 1982 after a default on an FBDB mortgage by the previous owners.

Two other FBDB mortgages, with former owners and totaling \$47,000, date back to 1979 and 1976 and are still outstanding against the property.

The bank gave the Carnochans three mortgages between 1986 and 1989 for \$50,000, \$245,000 and \$220,000.

They used the proceeds to expand the restaurant, add a second storey to the house on the property, build a new shop, expand the snowmobile sales store and improve the boat storage bays.

But by late 1991, when the Irelands appeared on the scene, the business was suffering from the recession. Mrs. Carnochan was in poor health and they saw a chance to get out of the business.

They sold the property to the Irelands in March 1992 for \$685,000, but the mortgages with FBDB weren't paid out.

Two of them, totaling \$465,000, were transferred to the new owners, and the Carnochans remained as guarantors, with their own assets as security.

As well, the Carnochans personally gave a mortgage for \$122,125 to the Irelands.

The whole deal came tumbling down when the Irelands walked away in May of 1993.

After the Carnochans moved back in, the bank demanded payments be made against the loans and that the Carnochans pay up the Irelands' arrears.

But title to the property was tied up in the Irelands' bankruptcy proceedings and the Carnochans wanted their own position clear before paying anything.

On top of that, they'd lost more than \$50,000 in unpaid inventory owed by the Irelands, and their money was being eaten up in lawyers' and accountants' fees.

They kept the marina operating through last summer and fall, storing 135 boats for the winter, and telling their customers they hoped to work things out.

"Sometimes you felt like burying your head," said Mr. Carnochan, in explaining their decision to fight. "But then you say 'Come on tell us what's happening.' We had our hopes up until Christmas time...."

After a meeting in October the Carnochans drew up a five-year plan for the property, seeking a rewrite on the three mortgages (one of which is at an interest rate of 13.75 per cent), a write off of the Irelands' arrears and a restructuring of the loans.

The plan was rejected in December. They got the letter a week before Christmas.

In January the FBDB started legal action to repossess the property.



More than 30 boats in winter storage were moved from the Backwoods Marina last week before the property was repossessed by the Federal Business Development Bank.

The marina's operators, Jim and Gloria Carnochan, took the boats to their property on County Road 7, a mile from the marina.

They are setting up a service centre and grocery store at the new site so that they can keep serving their Kennis Lake customers this summer

MP accuses federal bank of "stonewalling" marina owners

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

Local MP John O'Reilly says the federal agency involved in the Backwoods Marina case is stonewalling the Liberal government, and he suggested those involved should lose their jobs.

The marina's operators asked him to take on their creditors at the Federal Business Development Bank before he was elected last October.

As a federal Liberal candidate, he made little headway with the crown corporation.

But he said he hasn't made any more progress with the bureaucrats at FBDB since becoming the riding's MP.

The Liberal blames the prob-

lem on an entrenched civil service, accustomed to 10 years of Conservative government and reluctant to acknowledge his party's takeover.

"I've been around long enough to know there's a bunch of people in the civil service who are not happy. I wonder if it isn't time to turf out those who don't want to be co-operative."

The Liberals made a campaign pledge to reform the FBDB to make it more accessible to small businesses.

"I came here for change, and I'm going to raise hell (to get it)," said O'Reilly.

In the Carnochans' case he said the bank has been "less than honest" and seemed "determined not to give me the facts until the

last minute."

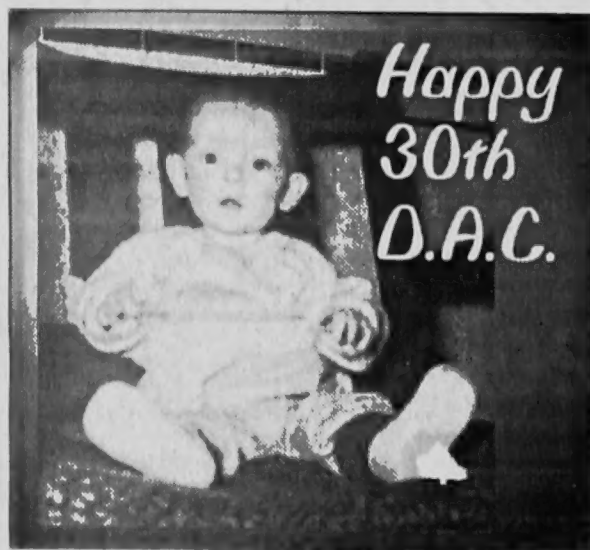
"I've been in the real estate business for 23 years, I can't believe I can't get answers."

He questioned the bank's financial handling of the case, which has left the marina heavily over-financed. He also said that forcing the business to close last week could only mean a poorer resale price for the bank.

"They are going to take a hell of a discount."

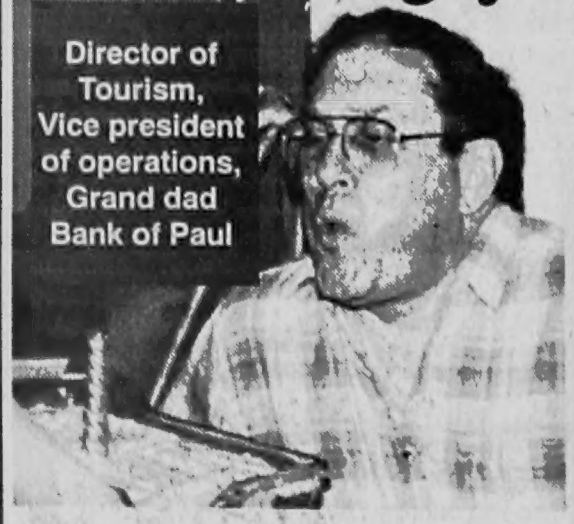
O'Reilly said that the Carnochan case wasn't finished with the writ of possession that took effect last Friday. He has asked the Minister of Finance to investigate.

"There are some serious questions to be answered," said O'Reilly.



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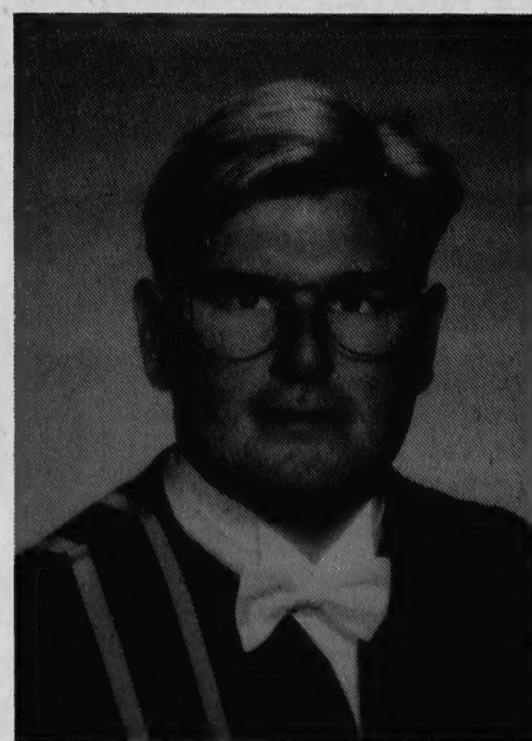


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Employees pay as marina's financial struggle is ended

Staff has long history of good service and loyalty

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

While creditors and politicians wrangle over the skeletal remains of the Backwoods Marina, the human cost in the financial debacle continues to mount.

Michael Wedmann started working at the marina as a gas jockey in 1985. He was going to university and the job paid his way.

After school he stayed on and, with a degree in political science and mass communications from York, gradually took over the administrative tasks. Now he's the operations manager.

Or was — until the business closed down last Friday.

Six other full-time employees lost their jobs, including mechanic Steve Howard who's been at the marina for 12 years.

They've all lived under a cloud since last summer, their jobs in jeopardy but still giving an extra effort to try and help the Carnochans hang on. And now it's over.

Wedmann sat in the marina restaurant with the Carnochans last week, the foreclosure date only a few days away.

As he spoke, a forklift truck worked steadily outside, moving the last of the winter-stored boats off the property.

"The ones who have worked here were taught to treat it as if they owned it. It was 'our' marina," said Wedmann. "There was never a big turnover of staff."

Even the summer students — usually eight or 10 were hired each year — kept coming back. Some of the families on the lake had their children work their summers at the marina for as long as 10 years.

"We've put a lot of kids through college," said Gloria Carnochan.

Now it's gone, and Wedmann and the other workers must look to their own futures.

"It's frustrating, it's been an

exercise in futility this past year," said Wedmann.

He was deeply involved in the campaign to stave off the repossession, writing many of the letters to the slew of politicians, the government ministers, the bankers and the bureaucrats and the media.

Many nights in the past few months, after a full day's work, he and the Carnochans would hit the books. Financial statements, a five-year plan, sales figures. They worked on them all long into the nights.

"We worked from early morning to midnight, we thought we were investing in the future," said Wedmann.

As he talked he rifled through the stacks of papers — in boxes and brief cases — that tell the tale of the marina's financial woes.

He found a couple of letters he particularly likes.

One is from former MPP Dennis Drainville, who tells him it's a federal matter and to take his case to Ottawa.

"As if we didn't know that!"

Another from Jean Chrétien, before last year's election, congratulating the Carnochans on the successful resolution of the case.

His congratulations were premature.

The nightmare went on.

To the Carnochans and Wedmann, and the other employees, the marina is more than a

piece of land with buildings on it.

It's a marina that involves 1,500 families on Kennisis Lake.

More than 130 of them still have their boats stored with the Carnochans.

When 35 of the boats had to be moved off the property last week, Gloria Carnochan phoned each one of the owners to tell them what was happening.

Just as she'd phoned them in May of last year when they took back the business after the Irelands, who'd bought it from them in 1992, went bankrupt.

"They said 'Thank goodness,' that time," said Mrs. Carnochan.

They are trying to set up a temporary service centre on their property just down the road, using a 25-foot trailer to sell groceries and parts.

Wedmann will help out there "until the smoke clears".

"If we don't go ahead our customers would be at a great disadvantage," he said.

They will deliver boats out of winter storage using a public dock, and will drive out to their customers' cottages for boat servicing.

The idea of offering good service for their customers remains strong.

Because of that loyalty, said Wedmann, they had to fight.

"At least we can say we've given it our best shot."

Woman's body found near Dorset

The body of a female person has been recovered from the water of the Oxtongue River south of Hwy. 60, just west of Algonquin Park. Minden OPP have not yet identified the remains. A post mortem was held Monday but final identification was not yet possible. Foul play is not suspected and police will not speculate at this time on the cause of death nor the possible identity of the victim. However, police believe they know who the woman was.

The body was found by pedestrians at about 5:00 p.m., April 15.

WOMEN'S EMERGENCY HOUSE FACT SHEET



As excitement mounts over the house raising of Women's Emergency House, and over 100 volunteers gear up to build the "house in a week", S.I.R.C.H. awaits a decision by Dysart Council as to whether they will issue a building permit!

Some facts about S.I.R.C.H.:

- S.I.R.C.H. is a non share capital corporation that has charitable status
- S.I.R.C.H. has a board of directors comprised of local residents in the county
- S.I.R.C.H. sponsors several programs including Haliburton County Counselling Centre, Parent Support Services, the Crisis Assistance Program and Telecare

Some facts about Women's Emergency House:

- Women's Emergency House is to be used as a single family dwelling, housing an average of 3 to 4 people at a time (a woman and her children)
- a family residing in the home will receive 24 hour practical and emotional support from S.I.R.C.H. volunteers
- the home will be used by the family residing in it, as their family residence, until other accommodation is obtained (up to three weeks)
- all referrals will be taken over the phone; there will be no walk-ins
- a risk assessment will be completed with each woman before she enters Women's Emergency House, and if there is a significant safety issue, women will be helped to access safe emergency housing in another county
- an excellent security system will be installed in the house

What's next?

- The site chosen as the best location for Women's Emergency House is a privately owned site in the village of Haliburton.
- Neighbours have recently been contacted by S.I.R.C.H. to inform them about Women's Emergency House. Earlier contact with neighbours was planned but unfortunately due to issues around clear title, it had to be postponed. We consider ongoing contact with neighbours an important part of the project.
- To date, Dysart Council has shown support of Emergency House, previously by offering six potential building sites, and by passing a resolution in support of Emergency House. Dysart Council issued a letter to the solicitor of S.I.R.C.H. on April 6th, 1994 stating that a building permit would be issued subject to compliance with zoning.
- Recently, some individuals have questioned whether Women's Emergency House might be considered "public use" and therefore need to be rezoned prior to the building of the house. This would mean:
 - Emergency House would not be built in May
 - the commitment of volunteers, building supplies and donations might be jeopardized
- S.I.R.C.H. has obtained legal advice on this matter and have received the opinion that Women's Emergency House, as a single family residence, should not be considered "public use"
- Dysart Council has asked their solicitor a legal opinion on whether Women's Emergency House constitutes a "public use". S.I.R.C.H. has asked the Municipality of Dysart for a decision by April 19th. (Basement work on Women's Emergency House is to begin on April 25th!)

We appreciate the support of the hundreds of County residents who have supported this project and look forward to building on May 7th!

If you want Emergency House built, please let Dysart Council members know.



MEET YOUR COUNCIL: After the resignation of Reeve Chris Hodgson, who's the riding's new MPP, there had to be a bit of shuffling on Dysart et al council. In the back row, from left, is the new reeve, Curry Bishop, who used to be deputy-reeve. Next to him is the new deputy-reeve and former councillor Lloyd Leadbeater. To their right are Councillors Robert Heinze and Brian Watts. In the front row are Councillors Laurie Bonfield, Murray Fearrey (a former reeve who was appointed to fill the vacancy), and Gerry Walker. Full municipal elections are in November.

Parents, principals ask board to save programs

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principals who opposed cutting into school programs and activities to avoid a budget increase.

Proposed cuts would have ended the school board's computer initiative, cut some programs, eliminated extra-curricular bus-ing, reduced the number of teachers and cut back on maintenance

"Our children need every opportunity they can get," Valerie McEachern told the committee. She's president of the Dorset association and had taken the hour-long trip to Haliburton to state her case in person.

She said the board had already trimmed the budget, so there were no frills, and the impact of further cuts wasn't acceptable.

"A small increase (in expenditures) is reasonable," she said.

A spokesman for the county's taxpayers coalition said on Wednesday that the group under-

stood the board's position.

"I think the board's between a rock and a hard place," said Mike Kitcheman. "We'd certainly like a zero increase but we've got to look at the reality. When we start to cut into the meat it's a problem."

The taxpayers coalition had asked for a zero increase at the first of this year's budget meetings. In the past they have vociferously opposed any school tax increases.

But Kitcheman said the coalition was trying to be less adversarial.

"We tried the stick and hammer and it didn't work. We are trying to help. We know there is really only \$2-million of the \$17 million-budget that the trustees can work with."

The remainder is for provincially-regulated programs and negotiated salaries. For example, an

increase in costs of \$120,000 this year came from federal and provincial tax and employee benefits increases.

While approving the recommendation for a 3.9 per cent increase, some trustees said there were still areas that should be looked at for budget trimming.

Glamorgan trustee Craig Pettit said some of the proposed savings that were being abandoned could still be made with improved efficiency. He referred to maintenance costs and photocopying expenses. The abandoned cuts had included \$10,000 in reduced photocopy costs.

Trustee John Munro said the board should take a good look at its transportation services to save money for next year's budget.

The proposed budget expenditures — \$17,062,084 — will go to the full board for consideration at the April 26 meeting.

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EDITORIAL

Missed Manners

Even teenagers could teach some board of education trustees a lesson on politeness. At last week's management committee meeting, a delegation of parents from Dorset was slated as the first item on the agenda. Without warning, however, the committee chairman, Wally Bunn, announced that the board was going into committee of the whole — that is, everyone else had to leave the room. Forty minutes later, the public was allowed to return. Instead of following the agenda, Bunn then said that several other items would be discussed first. There were no explanations and of course, no one could ask why because Bunn does not allow questions until the end of the meeting. (He made this abundantly clear later in the meeting when a reporter put up her hand to ask a question and was rebuffed.) Finally, after making the guests sit there another half hour, Bunn allowed the delegation to speak. A woman stood up and told the trustees that the delegation supported a 3.9% budget increase and didn't want any cuts. The presentation lasted approximately one minute. The parents then had to make the 45-minute trip back to Dorset.

It is simply rude for the board to treat guests so disrespectfully. These parents made an effort to get involved, which is just what board chairman Lloyd Griffiths asked for in his inaugural speech. But committee chairman Bunn seems frightened of outside interference, which is why he's the instigator of the new procedural by-law which doesn't allow questions from the floor. (Actually, the way it's written, the by-law doesn't allow questions from trustees, either.) At most other councils, there is a relationship of cautious respect between reporters and councillors. If a reporter needs to clarify a point, she usually waits until there is a lull in the conversation and is welcome to question certain items. At no time does a reporter try to take part in the debates.

To justify his insistence that questions shouldn't be asked until the end of meetings, Bunn points out that questions from the floor are not allowed in the House of Commons. The Echo could respond by saying it's a lot more than 300 kilometres which separates Ottawa from the Haliburton board office.

Building trust

Several months ago, Supportive Initiatives for the Residents of the County of Haliburton (SIRCH) announced plans to build a house for women who want to leave abusive relationships. The women could find safety and get their lives organized without having to leave the county. Better yet, the house would be a community goodwill project, built with donated money by volunteer labour. Because most people recognize there is a very real need for such a house, the goodwill was forthcoming. Some people even scheduled their vacations around the construction date so they could take part.

Problems arose last week. After advertising for land, for weeks SIRCH did not announce the chosen site. Then, less than three weeks before the cement was to be poured, the neighbours found out. Not surprisingly, some neighbours objected. Although by week's end most concerns were allayed, Dysart council was now involved. With no public meeting, rumours roamed freely. The telephones were ringing. On Friday, the landowner withdrew his offer and the search was on for a new site. Now that council is involved, there may be problems with zoning. Meanwhile, some councillors are also participating in the private property negotiations for a new site. But no one wants to talk about where it will be — even though similar secrecy is what got the project into such a mess. Too much was left until the last minute; work crews were organized before the proper public channels were tuned in. There was too much reliance on public goodwill and not enough on public relations. Let's just hope the house gets built. **M.P.**

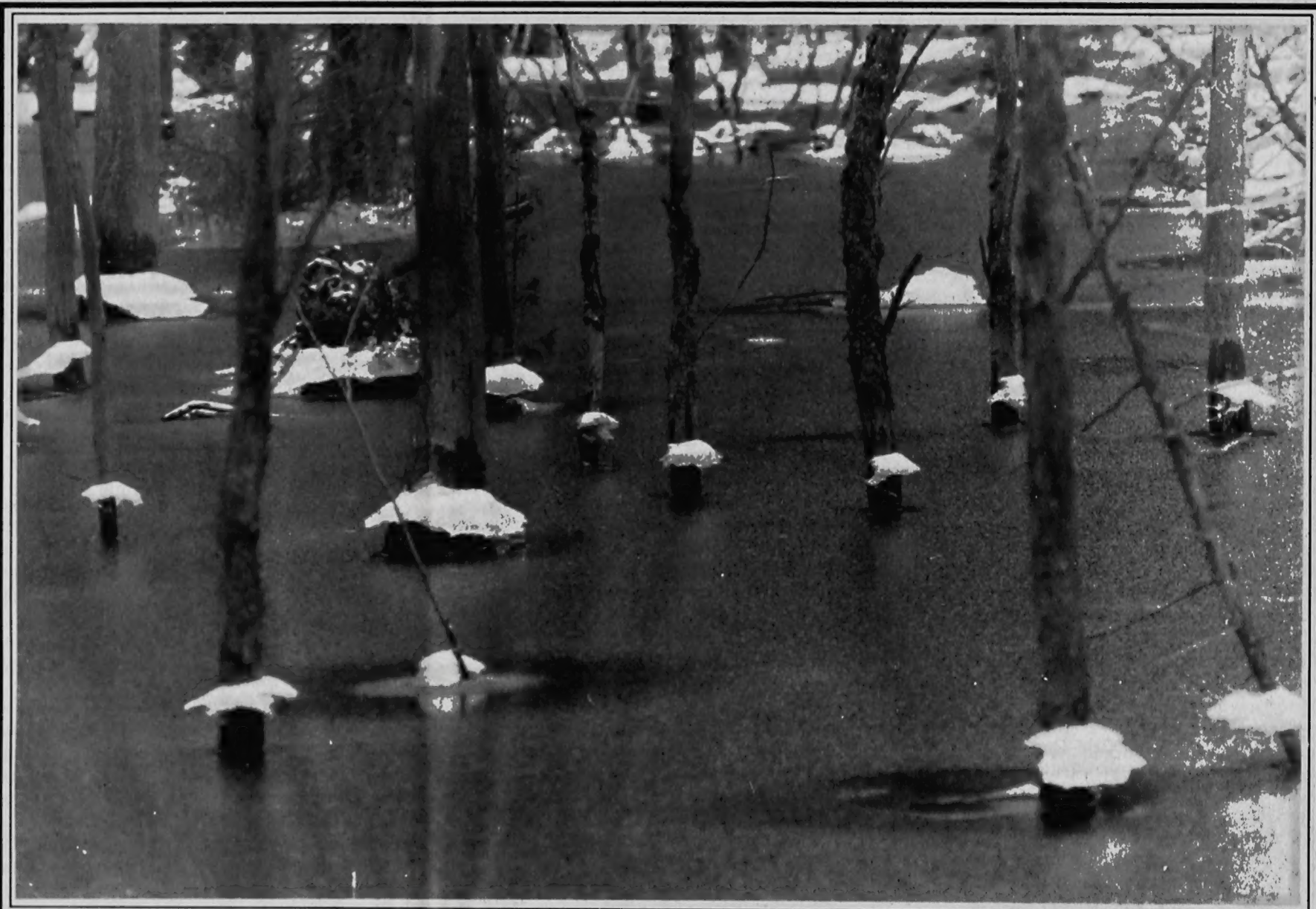


Photo by Len Pizzev

Last snow of winter

"Tone" of funding article not appreciated

To the Editor
from our Readers

To the Editor:

I am responding to your article of April 12, 1994 entitled "Social Services get \$900,000 for Kids". I found the tone of the article negative considering the good news it was announcing: The reference to the lack of funding for the Chamber of Commerce is not really relevant to this particular funding. I was part of the group which worked collaboratively with other agencies to develop the funding proposal. I think it's important to understand how this funding came to be. The Mulroney government restructured the Family Allowance Program from a universal program to one which is now income tested. This restructuring created the monthly Child Benefit, removed the Child Tax Credit and created a funding program which includes the money allocated to our community. As such, I feel our children need to benefit from

this extensive change made by the previous government made. Some families found their incomes reduced because of this shift. At least we have an opportunity to access these restructured dollars.

A call for funding proposals was initiated by the federal government in 1993 and our community responded. The resulting funding proposal by S.I.R.C.H. was a collaborative and co-operative effort of a variety of service providers. As a group, we felt S.I.R.C.H. was the most appropriate sponsor of the project, hence they submitted the funding proposal. After considerable review and competition with proposals across the province, our proposal was selected as well as many others.

By accessing this funding program, we are bringing back funds back to our community to reap economic benefit through new jobs and a boost in local spending, at least initially. Most importantly, the main intent is to improve the health and welfare of children aged birth to six. By doing so, we will save in the long run by helping develop mentally and physically healthy chil-

dren and families. As well, the services which are part of this funding program have an evaluative component which means that they will be monitored and altered in order to be as responsive as they can be to meet the needs of the target group.

In the article, reference is made to the fact that if our community did not get the funds another region would instead. This is in fact the case, that's the way the government funds projects — they announce a specific amount of money for a particular type of project then request funding proposals. Haliburton County may need money in lost of areas, but that doesn't mean that we shouldn't make attempts to enhance our community as the opportunity arises. Instead of knocking a success, because it's a social service (which appears to have been the tone of the article), why not celebrate the hard work of individuals who believe in making our communities the best they can be for children and families!

Barbara Fraser,
Haliburton.

Too much at stake to delay SIRCH house

The following letters were sent to Curry Bishop, Reeve, Municipality of Dysart et al.

Dear Mr. Bishop,

I was quite dismayed to hear that several residents have recently launched a petition voicing their objection to the location of the S.I.R.C.H. Emergency House. As much as we may hate to admit it, this shelter is desperately needed to our county. Many people have contributed much to this project, and countless more are keen to take part in this community endeavour. I do hope that the unsubstantiated fears of a few will not hinder the building of this house.

Perhaps I can allay some concerns. This house will provide a calm, and safe haven for women and children who need to get away from potentially hazardous situations. Some particularly violent cases will require the woman to leave our county, seeking refuge in Peterborough or Lindsay. Please put some trust in the professionals who deal with this abuse on a daily basis. They want what is best for the clients, and the community; their aim is not to incite violence, but rather to defuse it.

I urge you to voice your support for the building of this house, and for its location. Please do not succumb to any pressure to rescind the Building

Permit. Too much hard work has gone into this project thus far to allow it to be thwarted by a fearful and closed-minded few.

Martha Steen,
Haliburton.

Dear Mr. Bishop:

I understand that since the announcement of the location for the S.I.R.C.H. Emergency House, some local residents and potential neighbours have made their opposition known through petitions and phone calls, and that subsequent to this protest the municipality has revoked the building permit for the house. If this is not the case, I hope you will promptly announce the municipality's full support for this facility which is so badly needed in our community.

Right now, if a woman and her children wish to leave an abusive home, they must either travel to shelters in Lindsay or Peterborough, or, if possible, seek shelter with family and friends in our area. If a woman must leave town, she has to take her children out of school and away from their friends and activities; she has to leave her job; she is away from the support of friends and local counsellors; she will find it very difficult to establish a new home in the county. Now, if she is in

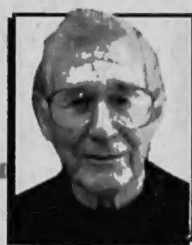
physical danger from her partner, and at risk of being pursued, then she must leave town for her own safety.

But most abusers are not gun-toting homicidal drunken maniacs. One of the reasons we need this facility is that so many "normal" families experience abuse or assault. If a woman is not judged to be at serious risk (in her opinion and that of trained, experienced counsellors) then she should be able to simply leave her home, and have a few weeks respite during which she may talk to the police, lawyers, counsellors, or maybe just have some peace to consider what to do next. That peaceful atmosphere will be provided in a house with a security system, trained volunteers, police watchfulness and supportive neighbours. Emergency House is not appropriate for every woman in an abusive relationship, but it will provide an important service to many women in our community ... if we can find a place to build it.

It is unfortunate that some people of Haliburton have responded to the announcement of the location with the predictable Not In My Back Yard reaction. No one opposed the building of Emergency House until someone found out it would be next door. Hundreds of people are donating money, materials and labour to construct this house. Rotarians, Kinsmen, teachers, Girl

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'Basically' speaking...



OFF THE CUFF
GEORGE LACY

I HAVE A RECURRING PROBLEM. Basically, it boils down to deciding what to write about every two weeks. With luck, it will be something that has not already been mulled over by radio, TV and the press; something that hasn't been digested, regurgitated and chewed over again like the Tonya Harding story. There are a zillion things to write about, but then I am as much in the dark about them as most folks. How do you write about something you don't understand without giving the game away. I'm no journalist. And to give it an amusing twist is a further challenge.

As I say, basically, it's a problem. But sometimes problems solve themselves. I look at that word, 'basically'. Where did it come from? What does it mean? How did it creep into our everyday conversation and spread like a contagious plague? It is seldom seen in written form, but listening to the radio, I find that it has invaded the speech of legends.

It used to be that conversation was sprinkled with 'you know's' every sentence or so, and sometimes I would lose the sense of what a person was saying as I counted the number of 'you know's'. Now, 'basically' has taken over. The word seems to beg for a disclaimer as in: She, basically, has a fine voice, but her song, "Open the Woodshed Mother, Father's Come Home With a Load", was a questionable choice. Seldom do we hear the disclaiming 'but' and it's, basically, time to root out the bee word.

In an earlier column, I mentioned that I am not partial to tampering with our mother/father/parent (pick one) tongue, particularly if it diminishes the preciseness of meaning. But English is a living language, and changes will inevitably evolve. In particular, we find that different meanings slip in because of local usage. Canadians often have to decide who they will follow, (seldom lead, perish the thought), the usage or spelling in the USA or the UK. Having worked in both countries, I'm a bit schizophrenic about it. Obviously, the safe road is to follow local custom when you are in either country. In

Canada, there are three ways we can go: (a) always follow the UK usage; (b) always follow USA usage; and (c) take your choice.

I prefer the word that the Brits use for motor fuel, petrol, because it is not ambiguous like our term, gas, which can mean any vaporous material as well as the liquid fuel, gasoline.

Nevertheless, there is no hope that petrol would ever be used in North America. However, the British spelling of cheque seems to be the preferred usage in Canada, probably because there is no confusion about its meaning. On the other hand, who in North America would write kerb and gaol instead of curb and jail.

Not long ago, radio was invariably called wireless in the UK; now, radio is the usual term. What we call a battery used to be termed an accumulator. Now, our nomenclature has taken over.

Many words have slightly different meanings in the USA and Canada. For instance, an American would not recognize a concession as a subdivision of land or a county road. Neither would he know what a serviette is, and to him a chesterfield is a cigarette, not a sofa. However, I know of only one word that has a one hundred percent opposite meaning in the UK and Canada, on the one hand, and in the USA on the other. A few weeks ago, our Finance Minister, Paul Martin, tabled a budget in the house of Commons; it was presented for discussion. Our municipal councillors table motions at their meetings with the expectation that they will be considered and discussed. In the States, to table a matter is to withdraw it from discussion, postpone, delay or pigeon-hole it. My Funk and Wagnall's Canadian College Dictionary doesn't list our usage, probably because it is based on an American publication. The Complete Oxford, though, has both. They give an interesting example where the difference caused some confusion during WW II. The British army kept asking their American counterparts to table a matter of considerable urgency, and couldn't understand why it was always removed from their meeting agenda.

It has been said that the United States and the UK are two countries separated by a common language, a similar situation to their common yet different pints, quarts and fluid ounces discussed a couple of weeks ago. Since then, I've been wondering how the author of a cook book decides what system to use if the book is to be sold on both sides of the border. But you, probably, take such concerns with a pinch of salt.



Pic of the Past

This photo will remind everyone that time is running out on The Echo's contest on when the ice will go off Head Lake. Back in January of

1950, a warm snap melted all the snow off of the lake. Local teenagers J'Nan Bishop (Brown), Tom Hodgson, Bonnie Lee (Walling), Carl Woodcock and Margaret Hodgson (Downey) saw this as a perfect opportunity to lace up their skates and have some fun. Our thanks to Tom Hodgson of Toronto and Haliburton Lake for sharing this photo with us.

I've left my heels behind



ANNECOTES

ANNE CREELMAN

LET ME PREFACE this column by telling you what I am not. I am not, nor have I ever professed to be any of the following: a perfect mother, a child psychologist, a camp director, a computer whiz, a gourmet cook, a Formula 1 Race car driver, a singer, a comedienne, a teacher, a seamstress or a newspaper columnist. I am just your everyday Joe (is that politically correct?) going about my everyday business. But my everyday business oftentimes calls many of the aforementioned jobs into play. I am also finding that the more people I talk to, the more we seem to have in common, in that we are all trying to juggle families, careers, finances, sleep, etc. in order to get by in our everyday lives. I hope that by sharing some "Anecdotes", stories about my family, my friends and myself, I can offer a little humour, a smile or a sigh of relief that we are not alone and that life is ours for the taking.

Twelve years ago, if someone had asked me what I thought I would be doing in 1994, the answer probably would have been very different from what I am actually doing. I was headed for a career in broadcasting, waiting to receive my diploma in Radio Television Arts, while working part-time for a theatre company. I was living in Ottawa and I had a busy exciting life that included friends, nightlife and many pairs of high heel

shoes. I mention the heels simply because it became apparent to me recently, while looking for a pair of high heel shoes in my closet, how different my life is now. All I could find were my beloved Birkenstocks, several pairs of running shoes and assorted other flat shoes. Where were all of the heels to match every outfit, you may ask? Gone, with my old life I'm afraid.

I have been happily married for eleven years and am now the mother of three children; Maxwell 5, Siobhan 3 and Sophie 7 months old. I work part-time, am on several committees for assorted things, am a member of the Highlands Little Theatre and, am generally on the move much of the time. I no longer have room in my life, or my cupboard, for high heel shoes. For starters, they tend to get stuck in the cracks in the deck that surrounds the house and, they sink into the mud in driveways. It is also very difficult while wearing heels to chase a toddler, without seriously frightening passersby and the Canadian Geese in the park.

No, I have reached the point in my life where it is strictly utilitarian shoes for me. Something with a good solid sole for a base, something that can jump into any situation and be relatively comfortable, something that can be dressy or casual - something a lot like me! The direction my life has taken is not necessarily one I would have predicted but it is one that I am finding suits me very well. I still have excitement, I am lucky enough to have lots of friends, I still have a nightlife (just ask Sophie!), it is all just a little different than it was. I now refer to Haliburton rather than Ottawa as home, my main career is my children and, I no longer wear high heels. I find I am very comfortable with my life and my shoes. Where will I be in 10 or 12 years? I hope in a comfy pair of shoes walking down Highland St.

Spring in Cranberry Bay



NORTHERN LIGHTS
VIRGINIA MUENZEL

SIXTEEN GEESE lined up on the edge of the ice as if waiting for an "on your mark, get set, bang" to dive into the cold grey water.

I took Nanuck, on leash, walking down to the lake for a closer look. I held the strong, straining dog back while we approached the dock very slowly. Cranberry Bay was full of Spring life.

The geese had just returned from their afternoon feeding in the neighbors field, to join maybe fifty ducks of various breeds and sizes. On the edge of the darkening ice, across the channel, fifty feet from the dock, a small, young muskrat sat preening itself. It was being carefully watched by a low soaring, unfamiliar hawk, which due to our presence decided to pass the lucky rodent by.

After several minutes, dog and I finally inched our way to the end of the dock. I kept whispering, "sit, and stay." The usually hyper dog actually obeyed. He too saw the rat, the hawk, the geese, and the ducks. And probably saw, smelled and heard a hundred things I couldn't. He shivered and whined with excitement, but he stayed remarkably still and quiet for him.

After awhile several gulls circled once then came down on the ice out near the river mouth. They were soon harassing the ducks and stealing their space. Two crows caw-cawed and stood on the ice edge to peck at whatever the river brought past them. In the marsh between the river mouth and the channel that leads to the lake proper, there were two blue herons. We just barely saw their movement now and then.

For more than half an hour we stood and watched the afternoon spring social interaction in the bay that less than a month ago was stark and still. One pair of geese broke away from the others and swam into the channel and cautiously towards me and dog. They came within twenty feet of the dock. At first, merely watching us watch them. Then one goose gave a muffled honk, and proceeded to tip his tail end up while he checked out the minnow population beneath the surface of the grassy water.

Nanuck was beside himself. He whined then yelped. The geese did not take flight as one would expect. They simply allowed themselves to float off with the current. The muskrat, whose nest is under the dock, swam off quickly to a safer, quieter place.

The magic was broken. Dog needed to move.

We left quietly, not seeming to disturb the busy lake folk further.

Later, back at the house, Ed and I looked out and saw the hawk had re-appeared, and was flying low over the field, hunting mice and moles. Through the binoculars, he was a magnificent bird. According to my book, a marsh hawk. In a moment, he found his prey, and stood in the field feeding. When done, he circled around the field once more, giving us a good last look, then flew off.

It's Spring on Cranberry Bay.

One person's sweet another's sour



DOWN OUR ROAD
SHARON LYNCH

IT'S PRETTY GOOD THIS YEAR except for the sugar sand," state Jamie as he leaned casually against the stair railing. He was replying to Marnie's enquiry as to the maple sap flow this uncertain spring. Jamie had dropped by to borrow a computer disk on his way home from his father's sugar shack. How very Haliburton-ish, Marnie thought to herself, passing the thin rectangle to Jamie through the rails. In this sometimes idyllic corner of the world, the past and present often bumped into each, resulting in amusing juxtapositions.

Jamie's father had been busy for a few weeks, producing gallons of thickly dark liquid from an originally clear, free flowing substance. No special signs indicated that magic was taking place in the little shack tucked away in the bush. The dogs barked at visitors, but they did that at the house down the road. Curls of smoke moved up from the shack's roof, but spring could be damp and cool this time of April. Funny looking buckets with hinged lids did hang on the sides of trees near the shack. But this was cottage country and there was no telling what city people might bring up on weekends.

The product of such quiet workings however was anything but ordinary. Sweet in a pure, clean way impossible to totally duplicate, the maple syrup was truly a gift of nature. Served unaltered to crown any dish or embellished into other foods such as candy or butter, it remained a gem guard-

ed jealously by all with a sweet tooth.

As Marnie watched Jamie's retreating truck leave her driveway, she marvelled at the hours of time spent producing one small bottle of sweet decadence. 'Everyone to their own taste, said the old lady as she kissed the cow.' Marnie's mother's saying popped into her head like a mushroom appearing overnight. For Marnie, there were other epicurean delights that far outweighed maple syrup.

Take her kitchen table at this very moment. She swivelled around to admire the laden basket parked in its centre. Huge globes of palest green-gold were piled to overflowing. Their soft skins bulged as though ready to erupt into juice at the slightest pressure. These marvels of sun and nature had been brought from southern climes only a few days previously and delivered to Marnie with the reverence they justly deserved. Knowing her love of grapefruit, a returning neighbour had kindly brought Marnie what she was

unable to find in Haliburton in April. Texas Ruby Reds. Even the name made her salivate in anticipation.

Modern technology had produced not only marvellous machines such as Jamie's computer. It had also enabled the Marnies of the world to enjoy foods made possible by modern transportation and refrigeration. She remembered her mother's tales of growing up on the prairies and never seeing an orange, let alone a grapefruit, all winter long.

Living in Haliburton, Marnie felt closer to the wonder of this modern technology because it sat so calmly beside vestiges of the past. Snowmobiles and woodstoves. VCRs and bird feeders. Computer disks and sugar shacks.

But for now Marnie preferred to enjoy her grapefruit, watch the bird feeder and later, listen to the wind after viewing a new movie. She still found life very sweet in Haliburton.

BOONIEVILLE

by
Charlie Teljeur



Sports

HHSS birders excel

Seven players advance to Kawartha badminton final

by JEAN MORRISON
HHSS OAC Student

At the Kawartha qualifying tournament in Cobourg on Tuesday, the HHSS Senior Badminton Team played at its best. Competing against seven other schools, seven team members earned a berth at the Kawartha championship tournament to be held in Peterborough on Thursday.

Anna Tomlinson will be representing HHSS in the Women's singles at Kawartha. "I'm happy to go on," explains Anna, knowing full well how tough the competition was in getting there. She came in fourth in Cobourg.

Even though she's responsible for a whole court, she says she likes singles. "If you mess up, you don't have a partner to get mad." In a game like badminton, heated with pressure, this surely would be a comfort on her mind

as she anticipates her competition next week.

Dawn Gartshore and partner Bobbi Griffin placed third in Ladies' Doubles, while Stacey Bunn and Signe Mandrup took first in the same division. The players have been working hard to make it this far. Bobbi explains that the extra challenge of Doubles is "you have to know where your partner is going to be." A premeditated plan of their partner's actions must become part of their play. Stacey adds that Signe brought a whole new strategy from her native country of Denmark for them to incorporate into their game.

Lindsay Francis and Jonathan Bishop took first place in Mixed Doubles, thus advancing them to Kawartha. Lindsay admits that "watching games is nerve racking, but once you get out there, you start to relax."

She also explains that because

she and Jonathan played with each other last year, they know what to expect from each other.

Coach Ron Yake anticipates others will benefit from the same type of experience. Carol Mowat, Will Wallace, Jamie Thivierge, Travis Willison are all first-year seniors whose training will give them the edge next year.

To qualify for the Kawartha championship, players had to place in the top four. The eight players who did not advance are welcome to continue practising with the others.

The coach seems impressed with all his players' performances. "All the players improved a great deal from the beginning of the season. Even though some lost their last game it was the best game they played all year."

The season is proving to be an exciting one. Next Thursday is Kawartha!



The HHSS Senior Badminton Team.

From left. Back row: Will Wallace, Jamie McMahon, Travis Willison, Dan Selbie, Stacey Bunn, Signe Mandrup, Dawn Gartshore, Coach Ron Yake. Middle row: Anna Tomlinson, Bobbi Griffin, Carol Mowat, Jamie Thivierge, Lindsay Francis. Front row: Jonathon Bishop and Dawn Hebert. Absent are Ted O'Connell and Jeff Walker

Novice C's wrap up season with father and son game

The Novice Bs finished the 93/94 hockey season off with a Father-Son game and the 42nd annual Glen Dart Tournament on April 19.

In the father-son game there was a lot of pride at stake, as the young Huskies didn't want to be outdone by a bunch of grey-haired men.

The crisp passing of the fathers got them out to an early lead. The young pups kept biting away at the senior team's lead and as the father's oxygen tanks ran out, the little whipper snappers tied the game at 6-6. But neither Roy at one end or Potvin at the other end would give up any more goals. The only goals the Huskies would get next would be at the Glen Dart Tournament against Minden.

The Minden Monarchs travelled up to Haliburton for the 2 o'clock game. The Huskies got on the board 3-1/2 minutes into

the game as Cory Sisson buried one into the Monarch net on a set up by Matthew Brown and Ryan Goldenberg. Haliburton went up 2-0 when Jason Chambers nailed the top corner on a pass from Matthew Marlin. Matthew Marlin scored less than a minute into the second period on a nice passing play by Jason Chambers and Joel Cooper.

Minden got on the scoreboard midway through period 2 as Evan Kernohan broke Garrett Pockett's shutout bid. The Huskies increased their lead to three goals as Cory Sisson scored again on another set up by Ryan Goldenberg and Matthew Brown. Cory got his hat trick goal on a good solo effort. Adam Tomlinson made it 6-1 when he blasted one in from the point on a feed from Matthew Brown who earned his third assist of the game. Joel Cooper rounded out the Huskies' scoring as he

deposited one in the Minden net as Adam Tomlinson set him up. Colin Vator scored one more for Minden to round out the score at 7-2 in favour of the Huskies.

The Huskies would like to thank Minden Monarchs for coming up to play and Bob MacNaull, Roger Dart and Family for a well run tournament.

The Husky players and parents wish Matthew Marlin and his family good luck and best wishes as they move to Tweed at the end of the month. Tweed minor hockey will get a boost as Matthew and younger brother Chris will be in their line up next year. Matthew has developed into a fine two-way play making center as he and Matthew Brown (the other forward line center) led the Huskies in assists. Matthew M. averaged about 1-1/2 points per game over the season. Good luck Matthew in Hockey in Tweed and in school there.



ALL SET TO WIN: The HHSS junior badminton team is looking forward to a successful season. The next competition is this Wednesday in Port Hope. The team members are, from left: Front row: Jon Hebert, Sarah Johnson, Mike Bradley, Nikki Gauley and Jess Wallace. Second row: Jody Reid, Tiffini Cowan, Carrie Martin, Mark Hughes, Aimee Mansfield, Nick Fawcett, Jamie Henderson, Loreena Rogers and Amber-Lee Cully. Back row: Coach Jennifer Paton, Bill Koz, Colin Klages, Rachel Wilson and Tim Stouffer. Absent are Rob Andrus and Chris Eskelin, who had to end his season early because of injury.

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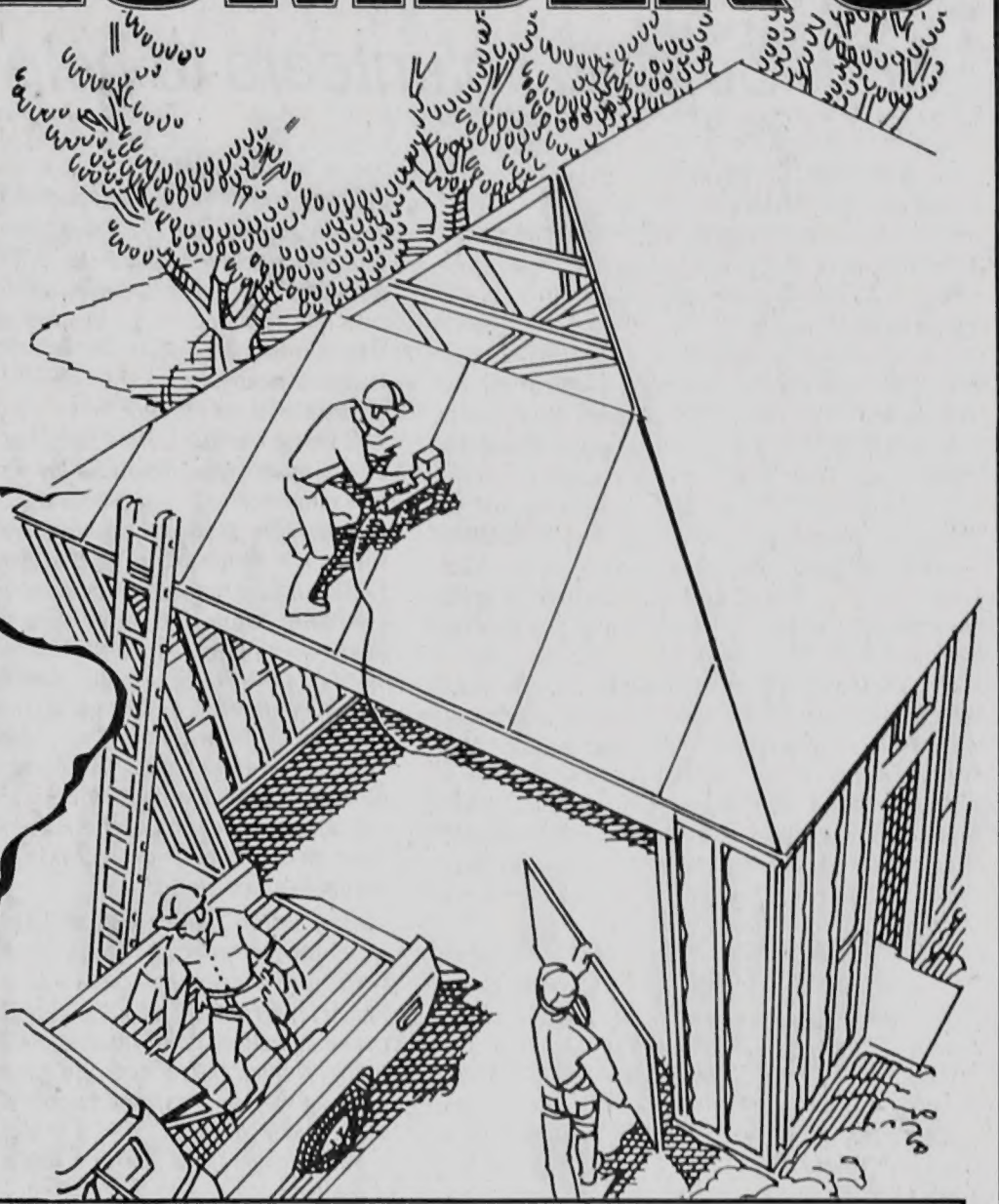
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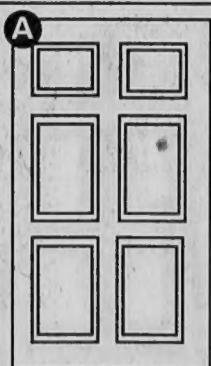
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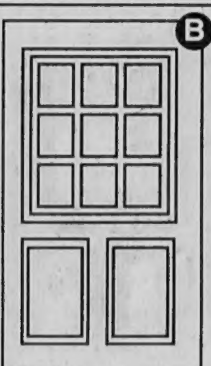
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She's on a mission to Nazareth:

Sarah Cowling volunteers to help with a project in Israel

by KEITH MCKELVEY
HHSS Co-op Student

SHE IS A GIRL with a mission. She is 18 years old and in Grade 12 at HHSS. She is Sarah Cowling.

Sarah is the daughter of Jim and Shirley Cowling of West Guilford, and sister of Grade 10 student, Jake Cowling. This summer, she will be travelling to Israel with a group of about 30 other teens from across North America. Along with four leaders, they will be heading off to Nazareth Hospital, in Nazareth, Israel, to do a project for Teen Missions International. Her project is to complete an Italian-style brick wall to surround the hospital to offer urgently needed security.

Teen Missions International is a huge non-profit organization that sends teens to help renovate or develop communities and to help take the gospel to other parts of the world. Every summer, about 2,000 teens participate, and travel to different places around the world in teams. Each team consists of about 30 teens and four leaders, and each have different tasks, or missions.

Sarah first heard about Teen Missions about two years ago, when her friend, Amy Vaughan, went to Germany on a mission. Sarah really wanted to go, but felt God wanted her to do things around home, such as arrange the Teen Famine in February, and work with her church youth group. This year, Sarah felt that she was ready for the trip.

She found out how to get involved with Teen Missions from a Christian magazine. She filled out an application to go, and picked seven countries she would like to go to, with her first choice being Israel. "I felt the Lord was calling

me to Israel," says Sarah.

Three weeks later, she received a letter from Teen Missions, and it carried good news. Sarah had been accepted, and the country she was going to was Israel. "Amy said that it's really rare that teens get to go to the country of their first choice, so I'm really lucky," says Sarah enthusiastically.

Sarah will be leaving home on June 25, and will first go to The Lord's Boot Camp on Merritt Island, in Florida, which Sarah says is a primitive jungle camp. "Amy says the Boot Camp is unbelievably hard and nothing can prepare you for it. It's supposed to be the dirtiest place on Earth, and the bugs are atrocious," says Sarah.

At boot camp, Sarah will get two weeks of intensive training, which will include classes in spiritual growth, Bible study, evangelism, music, drama, puppetry, and construction, all things she'll need to know how to perform while in Israel. The Boot Camp will climax with a candlelight commissioning service, which, by lighting a candle means that Sarah will agree to "accept the challenge of taking the light of gospel to a lost world."

After Boot Camp, Sarah will be travelling to Israel for five weeks. While there, Sarah will be working five and a half days a week on building the defensive wall, and on Sundays will have personal testimonies, where she will be evangelizing, (which is teaching the gospel,) and performing various plays and puppet shows at local churches in Nazareth.

The teenagers will also take day trips to historical sites such as Jacob's Well in Samaria, various holy shrines, Golgotha, and various other places of interest. "It will be a real thrill to walk where Jesus walked," says Sarah excitedly.

There are a few rules she'll have to follow.

Sarah will have to wear 8" leather construction boots, and she cannot wear shorts, she has to wear pants. Sarah will have to wash her clothes in a bucket, and will have to bathe in a lake. The teens also sleep in tents, which they are loaned.

After five weeks in Israel, Sarah will be leaving, and going by train to Rome, and seeing other historical sites such as the Sistine Chapel, and the Vatican. From Rome, Sarah will be travelling to Switzerland, to have a Teen Missions debriefing, followed by several days of fun, rest, and relaxation, which prepare her for returning home to friends and family. At the debriefing, Sarah's team and a few other teams will meet, and stay at a Swiss Army Camp. "Debrief will be fun, we get to climb a glacier, and get to stay in cabins, which will be quite a change from tents."

This trip will be costing Sarah \$3,600, not including spending money, or deposits, or her flight home from New York after she is flown there from Switzerland. Sarah has already saved \$1,400, which she has received from friends, family, and her church. Her youth group is also having an Italian Dinner for a fundraiser in mid-May.

If you would like to donate to Sarah's cause, her phone number is 754-4386, or you can write to her: RR#1 Haliburton, K0M 1S0.

Sarah says it will be hard to leave her boyfriend, and friends and family, but she hopes to get a better understanding in Christ. Sarah says she would appreciate prayers and letters while she's over in Israel between June 25 and August 28. Her address will be: TMI Team 94031 c/o Nazareth Hospital EMMS, P.O. Box 11, Nazareth 16100, Israel.



"It will be a real thrill to walk where Jesus walked, says Sarah Cowling, who'll also get a chance to visit Rome and Switzerland this summer"

More Letters to the Editor this week...

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Guides and many church groups (to name only a few organizations) are donating appliances or holding fund raisers or sewing quilts or decorating the children's bedroom or feeding the volunteer building crew. Haliburton County believes in this House.

I hope the neighbours will reconsider their opposition. The risk to their property values is practically nonexistent; the risk to their peace and safety is minimal because women in danger will still be referred out of town. Today in Haliburton County if a woman wants to leave an abusive partner but does not want to leave our community, she must try to find a place with family or friends. If a friend comes to me and asks for shelter, I will take her in; if someone came to my neighbour and asked for shelter, I would hope my neighbour would do the same -- and I would neither complain about my property values nor worry about disturbances of the peace. Emergency House allows all of us to be neighbours and friends to women in need. If we refuse to help these women, we are aiding the abusers.

Jennifer Paton,
Haliburton.

To the Council:

Last night we attended an organizational meeting for the S.I.R.C.H. Emergency House Project. This is a building project based on the Habitat for Humanity model. Using donated money, materials and volunteer labour, the intention is to erect a three bedroom bungalow in three weeks on a site in Haliburton. The house will serve as short term emergency housing for a woman and her children who have or are at risk of being abused by their partners.

This project has inspired a lot of enthusiasm and an incredible amount of work, planning and support from a broad spectrum of the local people. The project has all the aspects of an old fashioned raising bee which emphasizes the real values of community and being a neighbour.

This house is important in that it is a tangible symbol of our commitment as a community to stop abuse of women and children and to support the healing of families. It is a symbol of hope and we are proud to be involved with a project that will be a seed for the change that these times demand. We heal the world by healing ourselves.

Eric Lilius and Claire Sylvan,
Haliburton.

The following letter was sent to John O'Reilly, M.P., Victoria-Haliburton

Dear Sir:

This letter is being written in response to the recent furor surrounding the gun control issue. Although the recent events on the streets of Toronto and Ottawa are indeed tragic, we must not allow this tide of emotion to carry us toward action which would infringe on the civil rights of law abiding citizens.

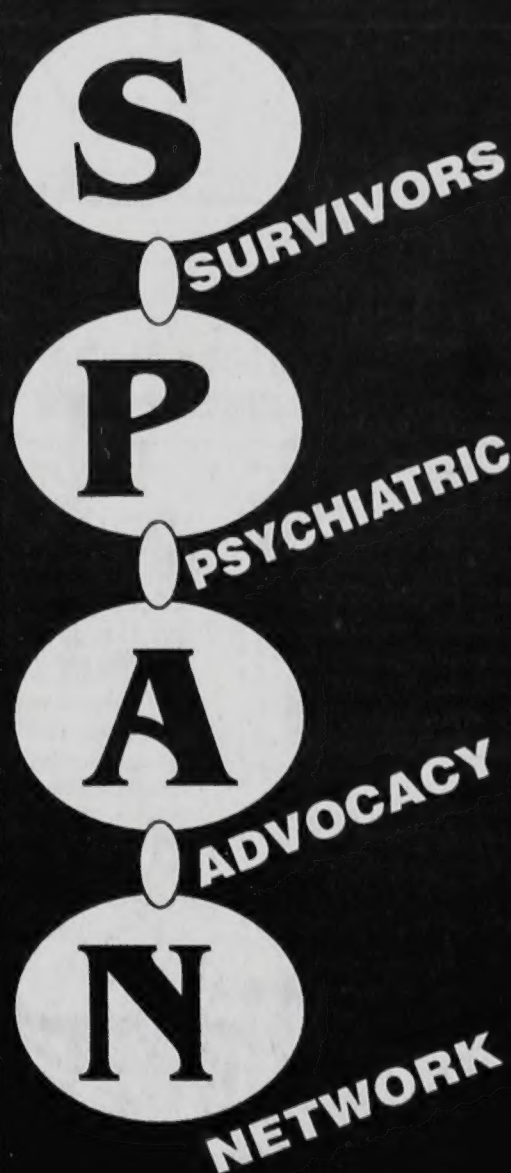
Would it not be far more appropriate for the government of Canada to bring its legislative weight to bear on those criminals who use firearms in the commission of a crime instead of on the shoulders of honest sportsmen, hunters and collectors? Increase the length of jail sentences and toughen the parole requirements (another debatable subject in its own right) for criminals convicted of firearm related offences and make it illegal for these criminals to ever own a firearm

after release from the correctional system. Take measures at the border to stop the flow of unregistered restricted weapons from the United States.

In his pre-election publication "Creating Opportunity", Jean Cretien states that "since 1984 Canada has witnessed a 40% increase in violent crime". The violent crime he refers to encompasses many crimes other than murders. Over the past decade, Canada's murder rate has remained essentially constant and over the past twenty years, murders involving firearms have steadily decreased.

As the legislators, criminologists, statisticians and members of the general public tangle on this issue, we must remain focused on the root of the problem. Most of the people who now reside in our larger cities have probably never owned a firearm and cannot understand the need for anyone else to have one. The firearm does however play an integral part in life in rural Canada and indeed in the riding of Victoria-Haliburton.

Gregory Bridge,
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New business group wants Minden signs

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 14 meeting of Anson, Hindon, Minden council.

Business business

Council received a delegation from a new business group. Dan Mills and Gary Bloor appeared as representatives of the Minden and Area Business Association.

"We're having our first official meeting this Sunday," said Bloor, and an executive will be elected then. Meanwhile, Mills and Bloor asked council to proceed with an application to the Ministry of Transportation for new signs on Highway 35 that will let drivers know they are entering Minden. As an example of what they would like they brought a photo of the stylized Welcome to Haliburton sign in that village.

The sign application process is fraught with rules and regu-

lations as to placement and size but Superintendent of Roads Clayton Cameron said he had already found two possible locations. One would be across from Moynes furniture store at the south end of the village, the other south of the entrance to Rotary Park. The signs can be a maximum of 10 feet high and 20 feet long. It costs \$175 for the permit to erect each sign. The message is restricted to the name of the municipality.

Mills said his organization was willing to help pay for the sign if the final cost exceeded council's budget. It was suggested the association run a competition to design the sign.

Council agreed to make the application to the ministry but didn't commit to a budget for the signs.

Modernizing maps

A letter from a Norland resident also had councillors looking at the boundaries of the village. Carole Bullen wrote that she had visited Minden a month ago and

bought a 50 cent map of the village from the township office. A bargain, she thought, until she realized it was from 1977 and didn't include some of the new streets in the village. Council said they would have the municipal office staff to do some research on a map that had been drawn up last year for a by-law matter. "Let's take a look at it and maybe we can update our map," said Reeve Bern Berry.

Dominion doings

The new owner of the Dominion Hotel appeared before council to seek their backing for a liquor licence. Elizabeth Soltermann said the hotel is being converted to a dining room and lounge, with an outside patio in the summer. The patio will be licensed but there will be no outdoor music.

She said they wouldn't be bringing in any live entertainment for the lounge. The upstairs rooms were being converted into an apartment for the owners, with one or two rooms available

to rent out. The hotel, which closed down last year and has been empty since, is getting a new roof and new siding. Soltermann said her and her partner in the business had hotel experience in Manitoba. She expects the refurbished building to be open for business in about a month.

Council agreed to back the liquor licence application.

Tractor tender

Callaghan farm Supplies in Minden won the tender for a new tractor with a bid of \$45,425. The tractor will cut grass and sweep roads and will replace an old machine. The bid wasn't the lowest received but a lower tender didn't meet specifications.

De-Belled

Council agreed to accept a proposal to convert the municipal office telephone systems to Able Office Equipment, which uses Toshiba telephones. The company offered a 65 month lease at

\$67.25 a month, plus a charge of \$250 to convert the internal Bell lines. Able also offered new fax and copier machines under current lease terms (that lease expires in December).

Berry said he had some reservations about moving from Bell, particularly given the cost to convert the lines. Cameron said he had received favourable recommendations from other users of Able, while Bell had not. Council voted to accept the Able contract.

Money matters

Council transferred \$5,253.85 into the Winter Carnival Reserve Account. After facing cancellation because of a lack of volunteers, this year's carnival was a success financially and for the public.

Council authorized a payment of \$200 to the Minden Minor Hockey Association and received a letter of thanks for a \$100 donation to C.H.A.C.E.

They also got a letter of thanks from the Addiction Research

Foundation for a \$50 memorial donation in the name of Joyce Austin, whose sons Martin and Carter work for AHM.

A grant of \$445 was given to the Horticultural Society for the use of the arena for the society's 15th annual show on August 10, 11 and 12.

A grant of \$224.70 was made to the Minden Boy Scouts for the use of the Minden Room for the scouts June 1 banquet. Berry and Councillor Jeanne Anthon will represent council at the dinner.

Bigger bucks

Berry congratulated Cameron for an extra effort that resulted in an increase in a water project grant. The Ontario Clean Water agency increased the grant \$446,325.41 for the \$548,000 project that is being used to upgrade the municipalities water supply.

The next meeting of Anson, Hindon, Minden council will be on April 28, 1994 at 10 a.m.



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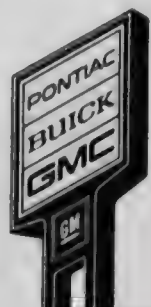


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People

Finding the fun in motherhood:

Columnist Anne Creelman celebrates the little things that make life worth living

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

LET US MAKE THIS perfectly clear — Anne Creelman is NOT the perfect mother. Ignore the fact that her daughter Siobhan goes around the house singing "we're a happy family..." (to the tune of This Old Man.) Max and Sophie are also cherubic, happy and evidently much-loved, but that's not a sign their mother is perfect, either. And it doesn't matter that Mrs. Creelman is the type of person who thinks of doing all sorts of neat, special things, such as putting candy hearts in the breakfast porridge on Valentine's Day.

No, the only thing Anne Creelman has going for her is that she loves what she's doing and she does it extremely well. That doesn't mean she's perfect, but it does result in a wonderful gift of being able to make others a little bit happier when she's around.

The Echo has asked Mrs. Creelman to be our newest columnist. We know that newspapers, like the communities they serve, are not just about sewage plants and car thefts and education budgets. They're also about people's real lives at home — love, children, mortgages and what to cook for dinner. We think that Mrs. Creelman is an ideal person to capture that other essence of community life for our readers.

"I don't necessarily have answers, but I have ideas," she says, sitting in the kitchen of the Haliburton home she shares with her husband Kirk and three children: Max, 5; Siobhan, almost 4; and Sophie, seven and a half months. Home is where she spends a lot of her time, but people will also know her from several productions of the Highlands Little Theatre.

Her column will be called *Anecdotes*, a play on words of the tone she wants to set. She'll use things from her own life as a springboard to discuss larger issues, such as this week's column about shoes. Many of the columns will be funny, because she relies on her sense of humour to get her through life's challenges. Some of them will be more poignant, especially now that her mother has died, making her see things with a whole new perspective.

"It's just stuff I think of and if it gives them a chuckle that's great," she says, simultaneously being interviewed, responding to Siobhan's request to help her put a shirt on Barbie and making sure a teething Sophie has something to gnaw on. ("I can't guarantee you'll get any long sentences," Mrs. Creelman says at the beginning of the conversation. Already nervous about being interviewed, she'd barely sat down before Siobhan calls from the bathroom that she needs

some help. Minutes after the conversation has resumed, Sophie starts fussing in the living room. The tea's ready, the phone rings, Barbie needs dressing, Siobhan needs mitts...)

In some ways, the conversation is already difficult. Talking about family life in the 1990s is like walking across a mine field — you never know when you're going to set off an explosion. Will working moms be made to feel guilty because they're not home with the kids like Mrs. Creelman? Will tired moms feel they're not doing enough? Will anyone think that Anne Creelman thinks she's perfect, or even worse, a reincarnation of June Cleaver? Mrs. Creelman vows to sue any reporter that dares even mentioning the words perfect or June Cleaver, that archtypical — and therefore not typical at all — mother of Leave it to Beaver fame.

The way one family chooses to live is not the right way for all families. She's well aware of the pressures society places on women no matter what they do.

After Max was born, she went back to work full-time. "Oh, so your kids are in daycare?"

After Siobhan was born, she stayed at home. "Oh, so you don't work?"

After Sophie was born, to help pay the bills she started working part-time in the office of her husband's company. "Oh, so you're torn and you don't do anything well?"

That's what makes Mrs. Creelman a bit nervous about writing the column. It's something that she wants to do, and knows she will enjoy, but she doesn't want it to be perceived as "Anne Creelman's sermon on the mount." She's found a balance in her life that is right for her and her family. She's just going to share some of the results with our readers.

"You can't do what you think everyone else thinks you should do," she says. Right now, she thrives on being a stay-at-home mom who schedules her life around her children and her husband. To help Kirk, she works only on days when Max is in school and when she's at home, she does homey things. She doesn't begrudge taking care of the kids, doing the housework and getting dinner ready for her husband when he gets home, with guests in tow. Before they had children, she and Kirk would drive to Peterborough at night to see a movie. Today, it's a major excursion to take three kids to the library. Her priorities have changed. She's even caught herself talking about RRSPs!

"It's busy, it's hectic, I'm tired and I go to bed at 8:30, but I enjoy it," she says. Unlike the two characters in the television show called *The Mommies*, she finds joy in taking care of her family. "I've got three kids five and under but I



Anne Creelman with daughter Sophie

find them good company. I enjoy them."

Her home life today is a lot different than her home when she was growing up in Ottawa. When Anne was seven, her father died and her mother had to go to work to support her three children. Many responsibilities fell on Anne and her sisters, who are seven and nine years older

than she is. Her mother wished she was there when they got home from school, but it was impossible. Mrs. Creelman now realizes the emotional burdens placed on her mother, who had to deal with her husband's death, three upset children and bank managers all at the same time. For all of them, circumstances had made them define family in a new way, not always to their liking. The daughter respects and admires the way her mother coped.

Now, as the mother, she wants to be able to choose a lifestyle that makes her happy. It's important to her that she can be with her children when they're younger, knowing full well that there will come a time when they'll strive for independence.

As a result, she's become a sounding board for many mothers, especially for those who gather with their children at CHACE Place in Haliburton. CHACE offers a necessary respite for mothers and play area for children, and Mrs. Creelman writes a column for the agency's newsletter. It was her column on pregnancy which caught the Echo's editor eye. The column was lively and entertaining, and yet it had a real kick to it. (She talked about people coming up to a pregnant mother and touching her extended belly as if her stomach had become public domain. Do people come up to non-pregnant women and touch their stomachs?)

She also gets numerous phonecalls about some of the issues facing parents with young children — the baby who won't sleep, the son who's teased at school, the zipper that won't unzip. "Oh, just put Vaseline on it like my mom does," Max recently advised someone with a child-and-zipper problem.

Some of the issues may sound silly and inconsequential, but life is full of silly and inconsequential things. She may not deal with them any better than other parents... she just does it with a smile on her face.

"I do have serious thoughts," she says, as if to reassure a visitor (who doesn't need reassuring). "I don't like to make light of every situation, but every day life, I think, can be funny."

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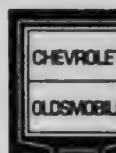
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School bus rule to be reviewed

School board will reconsider ruling banning students from changing buses

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at the April 12 meeting of the Management Committee of the Haliburton County Board of Education.

Busy buses

The committee discussed a letter from Helen Brown of Boshkung Lake Road who is concerned about enforcement of bus restrictions.

Because of over-crowding, students are no longer able to transfer buses. Students have routinely transferred buses and for a variety of reasons -- to go to a friend's house, to go to work etc.

Bradley said the reasons for transfers reflected social changes as well as seasonal conditions. Working parents, two-home families, less student use of cars in bad weather, all contributed to transferring and crowded buses. The official sign-up for many of the buses was at capacity, and drivers couldn't go over the legal limit. He said the solution was more buses but the budget wouldn't allow it. "In the last five or six years we've added

one bus and enrolment has gone up by 300 to 400 students."

He suggested the management committee look at the problem over the summer and try to work some flexibility into the system.

Custodial services review

Monmouth trustee Nancy Dunford volunteered to represent the committee on the custodial services review committee.

The six-person committee also includes a custodian, C.U.P.E. union representatives, a principal and a member of the board's administration. It will take a look at the efficiency and effectiveness of the custodial services being provided to the board's eight schools.

ASES

Business administrator Jim Bradley will request local tenders for work to be done on the Minden school's 1940 building. The work includes installing a suspended ceiling and fire alarm system in the main hall, painting classrooms and some carpeting. The work will be done over the summer.

No talking in class

A resolution passed at the March meeting of the management committee applies to all future meetings of the committee. It bans any questions from the public or the press during the meeting. Questions can only be asked only after all the items on the agenda have been discussed and voted on by the committee. Members of the public can still make a presentation to the committee, by making a formal application to the board prior to the meeting.

The management committee is the only Haliburton school board committee to have the No Questions rule. The usual procedure, for the full board and committees, has been for chairmen to use their discretion in allowing questions from the public and press while an agenda item is being discussed. Management committee Chairman Wally Bunn has said he fears his meetings will get out of hand if questions are allowed.

School trustees next meet on April 26 at 7.30 p.m. to discuss the school budget. The meeting will be in the library seminar room at the HHSS.

Hodgson speaks in legislature

by CHRIS HODGSON, MPP
VICTORIA-HALIBURTON

Statement to the Legislature
April 5, 1994

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of hope and a vision of prosperity that will inspire job creation.

The program that I articulated during the by-election was a road map for economic reform based on restoring common sense in the political process. Government must serve and work for the people not the other way around. We must have the courage to prioritize government spending in a way that demonstrates to taxpayers that their money is being spent wisely. And, as members of a compassionate society we have an obligation to help people who are truly in need.

On March 17th I was chosen to work on behalf of the people of Victoria-Haliburton. I intend to do just that and I truly thank them for the honour and the privilege.

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A break enter and theft at the Wilberforce Liquor Store netted thieves approximately \$200 in liquor. Police went to a cottage in the area and Minden OPP arrested five people. The alarm was activated at 2:00 a.m. April 15. Charged with Break, Enter and theft as well as possession of Stolen Property is Wayne Barr, 21 of Gooderham, Jayson Grant, age 19 of Wilberforce and three young offenders. All have been remanded in custody for bail hearings on Monday at Lindsay.

The Apsley O.P.P. are seeking the public's assistance in locating a missing person from the Cardiff area. He is 43-year-old Thomas George Eldridge. He is described as being approximately 5'7" in height, 140 pounds with brown wavy hair, blue eyes and a full beard. Eldridge was last seen on April 4, 1994. Also missing is Eldridge's vehicle. The vehicle is described as a 1984 Mercury Topaz red in colour bearing Ontario licence plates 811 ROV. Anyone who has seen Eldridge or his vehicle is asked to contact the Apsley O.P.P. at (705) 656-4431 or their nearest police department.

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What's the newest game in town?



(Hint: The inventors would rather
listen to Alan than Michael)

by LINDA SHUTT
Staff Reporter

HOW COUNTRY IS COUNTRY? When your telephone number is 457-GTAR, that's country.

Paul Brown even looks country. White-grey hair and beard, cowhide hat, denim coat, exotically patterned boots — a Haliburton Kenny Rogers.

Brown and his wife Joan have turned their fascination with country into what they hope will be a money-maker.

They've designed a board game called COUNTRYFIED, the board in the shape of a guitar, the thousand questions. All you could ask about Country and Western.

k.d. lang song lines, the price on the tag on Minnie Pearl's hat, the last surviving star of the television show Bonanza...they're all on the cards. Questions designed, as the game box says, to get you frettin'.

Brown started working on the game about 18 months ago. And for any of you who believed the myth — how the Trivia board game owners designed their multi-million dollar game in 15 minutes in a bar in Toronto — forget it.

Brown and his wife are exhausted after more than a year fine-tuning the game, getting trademarks, finding financing and organizing the first thousand copies printed.

It's been a hurlin' time.

The thousand boxes, denim blue with a guitar on the front, came out a week ago. To get this far Brown has travelled all over North America, visiting San Diego, Vancouver, Missouri and beyond looking for backers.

He's dabbled in venture capital (forget it, says Brown), dealt and lost with game brokers and other wheeler dealers, and all the while struggled to keep control of the game.

"There's a lot of scammers out there," says Brown.

He paid more than \$11,000 for North American trademark rights on the name — no dolls, no cards, not a clothin' line can use the name Countryfied without Brown's yessiree.

It cost more than \$30,000 just to print the first thousand games.

Last year he turned down a \$30,000 offer for his idea from one of the big game companies.

He's now going to market with the game in his control. This is good, it's also bad.

As he talks in his living room of his Haliburton home — where Randy Travis' Cowboy Boogie plays on the stereo — the packaging company calls from Toronto.

Do you want the game boxes shipped in cartons of six or a dozen?

Brown is frettin' on the phone for about five minutes. A dozen could be too many, the game boxes might get crushed and look bad on the store shelves. Go with six, he says, and hangs up.

His voice is hoarse from the last intense week.

It took him four hours on the phone to get the business phone numbers he wants. But now his denim-coloured business cards actually say what the game's all about, as in COUNTRY (a 800 number for someone in Winnipeg already had the



The idea was the easy part.

Haliburton's Paul Brown and his wife Joan are hoping to hit the big time with a new board game that tests players' knowledge of the world of Country and Western. After developing the idea in a matter of weeks, the Browns have spent the last 18 months in a whirl of financing, marketing and production work to get the game — Countryfied — on the market.

The first thousand copies were finally produced last week

Y), GTAR (local number) GAME (fax number).

He's been dealing with marketers, distributors and lawyers all week.

He and Joan were heading to Oshawa last Friday to meet with Western Publishing from Wisconsin which is interested in producing the game for the U.S. market.

He's afraid of the volume he might need and is looking for someone who can produce a lot of the games quickly if the lid blows off.

He's already experienced the volume problem somewhat. The game uses a black and white spotted cow bell. Players must grab it and ring it to answer a question.

When he asked the company that produced bells for the first thousand games if they'd be able to do 50,000 at short notice, all he heard was a gulp.

He's got people marketing the game to WalMart, KMart and Toys 'R Us and expects it to take off big time.

How big?

He's slow to answer. Dollar signs may be

dancin' in his head but there's so much else to handle right now...

"If I got one per cent of the North American market, and that's low ball...."

Then he pauses.

"We've just got to keep moving. Each stage takes so long."

Brown had been a licensed electrician for 20 years when the recession hit. He got work in his trade for only 22 weeks in 1992, and five weeks in 1993. He decided he had to try something else.

He had long since listened to country stations, read country magazines. Country was big all over the world. Singer Garth Brooks' recordings are translated into six languages.

And country music people were always looking for the next Big Star. That was the kernel of an idea for the game.

His six-year-old nephew's guitar was the next nudge. Brown traced it on to a piece of brown, corrugated cardboard and decided it would be the board, with players working their way around the body of the guitar and up the neck, with the winner being the next Countryfied Star.

He had local graphic artist Steve Dewey print out a computerized guitar drawing and Brown pasted the copies on a board and started playing the game.

The original layout changed very little after that. The fine tunin' was in setting the rules and getting the questions compiled.

Brown's four children — in their teens and 20s and into country — played the game endlessly with their friends and other family members.

The Browns taped the games and afterwards analyzed the tapes to find out where arguments occurred and where the game bogged down.

Friends started to drop off questions whenever they talked to the Browns. Someone even gave them 10 C and W recipes.

They prepared a business package — timing, originality, promotability, play value — and started talking to game brokers, going to game and toy trade shows, meeting with product lawyers.

They used a high-tech photographer to copy the denim off Brown's ankle length coat for the box cover...Details, details, hundreds of them.

Seventy-five per cent of games never hit the big time. The Browns believe they have a solid product.

Back to the question of how solid?

"I strapped my electrician's tools on for five weeks in 1993. Hopefully I won't have to strap them on at all this year," says Brown, with a down home laugh.

Business Briefs

K-Enterprises is introducing a new division to its Haliburton business. The Nut and Bolt Store will stock more than 2,000 items "for all your fastener needs." Everything is sold in bulk, so you can buy an amount that's most suited to your needs. Products include a wide variety of screws, fasteners and brass fittings. Contractor or home workshop kits can be customized to your needs and Dan and Linda Kay will also offer quotes on large quantities. This new division of K-Enterprises is located within their store at the corner of Hwy 121 and the Industrial Park Road.

Bent Tree Tours is inviting resort owners and recreation staff on a canoe trip to the Dorset Crown Land Reserve. The May 7th excursion will give people an opportunity to learn first hand about the services offered by Bent Tree Tours. Owner Dale Case will organize and guide canoe trips along many routes in the Highlands, ideal for day trippers, outdoor enthusiasts, cottagers and resort guests. For more information call 489-4507.

Larry Van Lieshout Real Estate has been preparing for a busy summer by adding attractive red outdoor awnings (which match the newly painted red door — next to the red roofed Village Barn in downtown Haliburton.) The inside offices have also been given a fresh look. Joining the sales staff is Norma Jordan from the Minden area.

The Hair Emporium also has a new look. Owners Ian and Lynn Roberge-Brohm have brought a MexTex scheme to their unisex hair design salon in Haliburton. The earthy look comes from the terra cotta colouring and cedar work stations, and includes decor with a Navaho influence.

If you drop by to look at the new salon you might want to pick up an entry form for a model search. Ian Brohm is a consultant for Matrix Cosmetics and the company is looking for a model of the year. The search is co-sponsored by the John Casablanca Modelling School and offers the winner a guaranteed \$775,000 in endorsements. It's open to anyone who isn't already with an agency. The winner of the first round will get an all-expenses-paid trip to Malibu for the final. For more information call Ian Brohm at 457-3008.

Best wishes are extended to Reg and Mary Raby, who have sold the Moynes Furniture building in Minden. The couple has been operating the successful furniture store at the corner of Hwy. 35 and the Bobcaygeon Road for the past nine years, when the Rabys built the building. This week, they will finalize the sale of the entire building to Westside Jug City, which plans to turn the furniture store into its offices and warehouse space. Jug City has assumed the leases of the other stores in the building, but Moynes Furniture will close. Jug City will be rebuilding its convenience store next door at the site of the original Jug City. That store, the company's warehouse and office, was completely destroyed by fire in mid-February. The Fire Marshall's Office and insurance investigators were unable to ascertain the cause of the fire, which started in the warehouse area. Engineers are presently drawing up plans for the new Jug City store, and it's hoped construction will be able to start in the next few weeks. We wish the Rabys well in their retirement.

A new business has opened in the lower level of Stedman's Mall. Peddler's buys and sells used books and already has a wide selection for book browsers. Welcome to owner Anne McCrae.

There's always been a friendly competition between the Haliburton Echo and the Minden Times, but the dust will really fly as both papers race to clean up their offices. The challenge was thrown out by Times Editor Russ Duhaime, who noted in a recent editorial that although many Minden businesses are brightening up the exteriors of their buildings, the Times had yet to show the same enthusiasm. Publisher Jack Brezina has now agreed to do a little spring cleaning and spiffy up their Bobcaygeon Road office.

"It will be beautiful — just like The Times," the publisher said in a press release. It just so happens that the Echo staff has recently been having a similar discussion.

Laura Johnston is going to repaint the Echo sign, and we're going to sweep up the parking area and buy a few plants once the weather warms up. We must admit, however, that the Echo has an advantage: we only have the front wall to worry about, the Times has four walls!



DOWN HOME COUNTRYFIED: The new board game created by Paul Brown gets players frettin' with a Country and Western quiz. First editions of the game came off the presses last week

This is what Head Lake looked like on Sunday morning. Because the ice is quickly beginning to melt, the deadline for our contest is Wednesday. Drop by the Echo and tell us when you think all the ice will melt. If you guess the right day, you may win a book and a year's subscription to the Echo



Students enjoy scooter games

Coboconk

Sheila Lake - 454-2314

The annual Good Friday rally was held in Faith Tabernacle with a capacity crowd in attendance. Special speaker, Rev. Mick Friend, from South Bend, Indiana U.S.A. and the S.O.S. singers, the Ramseys from Newburg, in the Napanee area, were guest singers.

Following the afternoon service, the worshipers went to the Community Hall, where church ladies had a delicious meal of turkey, ham, baked potatoes, many salads and pies. Following the meal, most returned to the church for the 7 p.m. service.

I was totally taken by surprise, when our daughter and family held a birthday party for me on Saturday night, with a number of relatives and the immediate family present. There was enough food to feed an army, and a beautiful cake to complete the meal. I got a pretty corsage, a bouquet of flowers and money. All this attention because I am a senior! We all had a good time and I do appreciate all the work and love shown me at this time.

A Jack and Jill dance for Melissa Moore and Andrew Johnston, was held in the Coboconk Legion hall on Saturday, April 2nd. Melissa is the daughter of Bob and Iris Moore of Powells Corners, and will be married on June 11th.

Rose Rocchio has been out in British Columbia visiting her sister, and sadly, took ill and is in the hospital in Richmond, B.C. Get well soon, Rose!!

The Stonehedge restaurant is open again for business, after being closed all winter.

The Bexley Fire Dept was busy on Sunday, when they were called out

to a grass fire on Baseline Rd. and another grass fire in Bexley.

Johann Prentice has been sick with pneumonia. Reg Cook went to hospital last Wednesday, March 30th.

Kelly Klett, daughter of Sherry Klett Wright, is at her mother's home, after surgery in Toronto.

Sarah Graham was taken to hospital last weekend. She is the daughter of Doug and Heather Graham of Bexley.

Get well wishes to all of you on the sick list. Ruth Pitkin just south of Coby has been in hospital.

David Marles, accompanied Richard Robertson of Norland, to Lindsay last week and visited David's sister, Ada Fisher.

On Monday, March 28th we saw our first swallows of the season. There were two power lines near the Rosedale bridge, alive with swallows, as well as many swooping down to the water. Haven't seen any since, but we were happy to see the ones at Rosedale.

Get well wishes to Dawn Levesque, daughter of Darlene Levesque, who is not well. This little figure skater is going through some nerve troubles and has a painful tummy.

Mac Basinger is recovering from serious surgery and Gord Foster has had some health problems. Get well wishes to you all!!

Jean Shields was in hospital recently, but is coming along nicely at home. Trust you feel real well soon, Jean!

Recently, the Ridgewood school a "Ridgewood Scooter Olympics" and the Canadian team finished in first place. The competitions held in the school gym, had teams to repre-

sent Canada, Jamaica, Germany and Norway in "simulated" bobsled and luge competitions. The games proved very popular and the school plans on making this an annual event.

Joyce Newman was honoured with a birthday party at the Head Lake Restaurant recently, when a good number of family and friends gathered to wish Joyce a happy birthday.

Gary and Suzanne Cameron and daughter of Orillia were weekend visitors of his parents, Everett and Jessie Cameron.

Sympathy goes out to

the family of the late Viola Rettie, who passed away in Ross Memorial Hospital recently.

Don and Helen Phillips recently enjoyed a vacation in Turks and Caicos an island in the British West Indies, and had a very good time. However, since coming home, Don has pneumonia - hasn't nearly everyone had pneumonia this past few months? Trust you are soon well.

The sweepers, those big machines with brushes, are out sweeping the streets this week. Lots of dust flying about, but it's great to have all the sand

cleaned up.

Sad to hear that Bob Atkinson, had to go back to Toronto General Hospital on the weekend. Bob has had many setbacks since his second liver transplant several months ago. You are in our thoughts and prayers, Bob.

Rev. Art Bartlett of Lindsay, was a Saturday visitor of Mrs. Myrtle Faulkner and her nephew, Lawrence.

The new government dock has improved the riverbank so much. The new dock is wider and will surely be appreciated by the many boaters

The robins return to Dorset

Dorset

Phyllis Briscoe - 766-2237

Birthday greetings to Todd Brooks, Cattlin Perry and Jordana Schuetz. I'm sure that in trying to catch up on birthdays that I have missed a few and I am sorry. Two that come to mind are Audrey Clayton and Kyla Woods. Happiness to each and all.

The robins, red-winged black birds and many other birds are back in our midst, the snow is fast disappearing and everyone is happy to observe the gradual demise of winter, gradual as it may be. I haven't heard of any crocuses popping through yet but it won't be long.

Sympathy is extended to family and friends of Emma Schneider who passed away on March 20, '94 at Peel Memorial Hospital in Brampton, Ontario. Emma, and her late husband, Frank resided at Shoe Lake, Dorset for many years. The Schneiders were active members of the Dorset Senior Club, and will be sadly missed.

Get well wishes to Lois

Sage who is a patient in Huntsville Hospital.

A baby shower was held on April 2nd for Kathy Keown at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Kathy is the youngest daughter of Chuck and the late Doris Keown. She received many nice gifts for the expected newcomer.

Ellen and Stan Booker spent the Easter week-end with their daughter Lynda at her home in Cobourg. The weather being perfect, they enjoyed the drive as well as the visit.

Many people in the area were saddened by the death of Bob Nangle, who passed away at his home on Boshkung Lake, after a lengthy illness. Bob worked for the Dept. of Natural Resources for many years and was a long-time member of the Stanhope Firefighters, members of which were

an Honour Guard at his funeral held in St. Mary Magdalene's Church, Dorset. Bob and his wife Barbara have been members of St. Mary Magdalene's for many years, Barbara taking a very active part. Sympathy is extended to family members and friends.

The Dorset Senior Club keeps busy. Every other Monday there is a movie at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday at 1:30 a regular meeting with various activities such as card games, billiards, shuffleboard, bingo, etc. and on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 a social time with your choice of activities. There is always a good attendance, even when members were still in southern climates.

H.H. - To get the most out of a lemon, before squeezing let stand in warm water for a half hour or so, then roll under your hand on the counter top.

You Told Us!

During our recent subscription drive, people were asked to comment on the Echo's coverage - both what's in the paper and what they'd like to see in the paper. In this column, we'll respond to some of those comments.

WHY DON'T WE HAVE A TV GUIDE?

There's one rule at the Echo: Every story has to be written by a person with a connection to the Highlands, or it has to be about a person or event in the Highlands. We have this rule because there is a lot of "competition" for space in the Echo. We want to make sure that we have room for all the local stories and pictures that you can't find anywhere else. If we put in a television guide, then we might not have room for photos of local children or a story about a local organization. As well, tv guides are easily available elsewhere.

THERE'S TOO MUCH SPORTS

Believe it or not, there are people who think we don't have enough sports coverage. For many people, sports is the most newsworthy activity in the Highlands, especially in the winter, when parents and coaches write stories about recent games. These stories are important, especially to the young players. It may be the only time they see their names in print. It also gives them a sense of pride and lets them know they are an important part of the community. When hockey season ends, you'll notice a big reduction in our sports coverage. In the future, we'd like to get more high school students writing about teams at HHSS. We're also hoping that dedicated parents will write some baseball stories in the summer. Our sports coverage ebbs and flows with the willingness of people to let us know how their team is doing.

THERE'S NOT ENOUGH POLICE NEWS

Every OPP detachment has a communications officer. This officer collects items of interest from other officers. In the past, this officer would write up a weekly report and send it to us, or we'd phone and ask if anything had happened over the past week. Sometimes there was nothing of importance which had happened during the past week. Sometimes an investigating officer would go on holidays before his report was written. Sometimes the communications officer would be sick or on holidays and there would be no report.

A few weeks ago, there were changes to the system. The Minden OPP now faxes its news items to Peterborough, which faxes them to all the newspapers in this district. For a couple of week's the Echo wasn't on that fax list, but the problem was rectified.

However, there have been weeks when we've run out of space for the police report. Judging by the number of people who want to see more police coverage, we will endeavour to make sure that if we have any police stories, we will get them in that week's paper.

I DON'T LIKE THE EDITORIALS

As editor, Martha Perkins writes the editorial, which is an opportunity to express opinions on matters of local opinions. (News stories are just supposed to be the facts, no writer's opinions allowed.) When she's away, Len Pizzezy writes the editorial. They both agree that the editorial must be about local events, but they have different philosophies about what the editorial's tone should be. Perkins believes in looking at both sides and coming up with a conclusion. Pizzezy thinks editorials should be more feisty - the writer should state an opinion strongly, whether he firmly believes in that opinion or not, to stimulate debate.

Some people like it that Perkins' editorials are less confrontational. Others think they should be more aggressive. Both types of editorials serve a purpose, and there's never the expectation that everyone will agree with what you write - however you write it.

We'll have more reaction to some of your comments in the next few weeks. Our thanks to our readers for sharing their thoughts and suggestions.

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HALIBURTON COUNTY Community Events

April 23 & 24
CAMP CAN AQUA MAPLE SYRUP FESTIVAL - traditional and modern syrup making demonstrations, maple product and equipment sales, horse drawn wagon rides, live entertainment and much more. Located on McGillivray Rd. off Hwy. 121 or 28 in Cardiff. For more info. call (613) 339-2969

April 30
BLACK FLY FESTIVAL DANCE - takes place at Stanhope Firefighters Hall from 9 pm to 1 am with live entertainment. For more info. call (705) 489-3312

April 30 & May 1
HALIBURTON HOMEBUILDERS ASSOCIATION HOME & COTTAGE SHOW - designed to showcase local builders, developers, trades and suppliers. Minden Curling Club. For more info. call (705) 457-2067

April 29 & 30, May 6 & 7
HIGHLANDS LITTLE THEATRE - presenting "Daddy's Dyrn", Who's Got the Will". Takes place at the Haliburton Secondary School at 8 pm. Tickets available at the door. For more info. call (705) 286-3894

April 30 - May 14
RAILS' END STATION GALLERY EXHIBITION - presenting "Safe as Houses" by Craig Porter. For more info. call (705) 457-2330

May 6-8
WOLVES AND HUMANS - an informative weekend surrounding all aspects of "wolves, the intriguing predator". Haliburton Forest & Wildlife Reserve. For more information call (705) 754-2198

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Model is always No. 1 in her home town

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

May-Anne Jordens might not be Miss Universe, but the people of Wilberforce still think the world of her.

On April 11, the 21-year-old model competed in the Canadian Search for Miss Universe 1994. The Wilberforce native was representing Metro Toronto in a pageant which gathered some of the prettiest women in Canada together.

The judges gave the crown to a British Columbia woman, who will be Canada's ambassador in the upcoming Miss Universe pageant.

But back in May-Anne's home town, when people heard that she hadn't won the title, they phoned her parents to say "Tell May-Anne we're proud of her... She's still #1 with us!"

May-Anne's parents are Pat and Pat Jordens of Wilberforce. They flew to Edmonton to watch their

daughter compete in the pageant and were dazzled by her performance and poise - not to mention the blue sequined gown she had won in the Metro Toronto pageant. With her hair piled in a tasteful chignon and the sequins glittering, May-Anne certainly had the aura of success.

"It was just like a dream," says Mrs. Jordens, whose pride in her daughter literally beams from her face.

May-Anne is only slightly disappointed that she didn't win. She went to Edmonton content that she would do her best. Instead of seeing the other 20 young women as her competition, she made friends with most of them. They enjoyed their time together and have exchanged addresses to ensure that they won't lose touch with each other.

She also had a lot of fun. Along with two other models, she was on the front page of the Edmonton Sun and had some photos taken for the

Toronto Sun. (Her parents expected the photos to appear last week, and hope that the Toronto tabloid will soon print them.)

"May-Anne says she has no regrets," says Mrs. Jordens. "She was really good about it."

Before the competition, May-Anne and her boyfriend, Curtis Anderson, were given the royal treatment by her aunt, Elizabeth Dunbar (nee Deterling.) Mrs. Jordens' sister took the young Ontario couple on a quick tour of Alberta, making sure they saw Banff, Lake Louise... and the Edmonton Mall!

May-Anne's boyfriend is actually a bit relieved that May-Anne didn't win. If she had been chosen as the Canadian entrant, she would have been away from Toronto for a year.

As it is, May-Anne is hoping that the competition will give a boost to her modelling career. A graduate of Sheridan College, she's had a few contracts with department stores and starred in a music video for the



May-Anne Jordens, left, with the winner, Susanne Rothfos of B.C.

group Nexus. She had several interviews for modelling contracts before she left for Edmonton, and her agency wants to send you to Tokyo for up to six months. She judged a beauty contest in Sudbury over the weekend and will also co-host the upcoming Mr. Ontario North America contest. This fall she'll compete for the title of Miss Octoberfest.

It's all quite an achievement for a young woman who grew up in a farm south of Wilberforce. And whether the judges recognize May-Anne's potential yet, the people from home certainly know who's the top model in their hearts.

Don't miss curling banquet

Wilberforce

Flo Elliott - 448-2618

You are invited to the Curling Banquet on Saturday April 23rd, with the hospitality hour beginning at 6 p.m. Dinner will be served at 7:15. This will be a pot luck, so they would like you to bring a main dish and a dessert. This will be a great evening of fun and fellowship, with a Karaoke machine from 9 to 1 o'clock. Everyone always finds this a time of great hilarity. They would like to have past and present curlers, as well as those who would like to join the club. Friends and relatives are always welcome.

The Thrift Sales continue at St. Margaret's every Saturday morning from 9-12 until the end of the month. If there is anything you need, you will likely find it here.

There is going to be a day of Line Dancing in Burnt River on Friday April 22nd from 10:30 until 2:30. Clubs are coming from Peterborough and Lindsay, Bobcaygeon,

Haliburton and Wilberforce (these are the ones that I know about.) The co-ordinator, Joy Stange, tells me there will be between 130 and 150 dancers for the day. Two old friends, Shirley Riley and Evelyn Morgan, are going to be there. It will be nice to see them again. Joy was so happy to have such a great response, that she is hoping to hold this sort of a day every year.

The money that will be left after expenses will be donated to the Tri-County Children's Fund this year.

The Loop Troupe will be meeting every Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the Lloyd Watson Centre. We have missed a couple of Wednesdays, while waiting for plays to arrive and while some members were practising for the choir, but now we're all set to go again. Men, both young and older, are really needed, so don't be bashful, come out and let us make you a star.

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Little Theatre play gives new twist to family values

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

WHEN YOU GET a group of local actors putting on a play about family values, the result isn't exactly a slice of Dan Quayle's life.

In fact, the play is not quite what the former American vice-president had in mind when he and his fellow Republicans popularized those two little words.

Oh sure, there are family values in the latest production of the Highlands Little Theatre. Values such as greed, jealousy, pettiness, ignorance and avarice. And when you get one family with all of those qualities on one stage, the result is as funny as some of Dan Quayle's verbal gaffs.

"Daddy's Dyin', Who's Got the Will" promises to generate a few laughs over the next few weeks. The performances are April 29 and 30 and May 6 and 7.

The play is written by Del Shores, who lets us peer into the lives of the Turnover family. After heading in separate directions, the siblings all come home to Lowake, Texas to pay their last respects to the family patriarch.

Buford Turnover, played by Joel Levis, is demented and dying.

On the surface, the family members want to show the appropriate mixture of compassion and grief, but their thoughts are consumed by that other eternal question: Who gets what?

Daddy has changed his will, but he's misplaced it and no one else knows what it contains. Daddy's not in the proper state of mind to remember it either. There is laughter, tears and surprises as the family searches for the will. All the past family tensions, which have been politely masked over, come leaping out as they stumble over each other in their quest to discover Daddy's dying wishes.

"Daddy's Dyin'" is Tom Robinson's directing debut. A newcomer to the Highlands Little Theatre, Robinson is already familiar to local audiences. He played one of the brother's in the local thespians' production of The Melville Boy

last winter.

Other cast members include: Ruth Still as Mama Wheelis, Brenda Ellis as Sara Lee Turnover, Monica Hughes as Lurlene Turnover Rogers, Craig Saunders as Orville Turnover, Donna Ottley as Marlene Turnover, Deb Neve as Evalita Turnover and Ray Oliphant as Harmony Rhodes. (Oliphant has a boat-access only residence and fellow cast members are hoping that the ice melts soon!)

The Highlands Little Theatre is grateful to Keaney Chrysler of Minden, which is the sponsor of the play.

Tickets are available at Paulette's and Under Cover Books in Haliburton and The Storeroom in Minden. Advance tickets are \$7 for general admission and \$5 for students and seniors. At the door, tickets are \$8 and \$6.



SCENES FROM A REHEARSAL: Highlands Little Theatre is getting ready for its upcoming production, "Daddy's Dyin', Who's Got the Will?" Clockwise from the top: Deb Neve and Ray Oliphant get the tongues wagging; director Tom Robinson listens attentively; Ruth Still and Monica Hughes share a lighter moment; and Brenda Ellis pretends she really does have a telephone in her hand



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Boundaries of art aren't static, but constantly changing

Art and Me
by Marion J. Hare

DURING THE 20TH CENTURY artists trained in the Western (European) tradition have been consistently pushing the limits that supposedly define art and divide its products into categories such as sculpture and painting.

Until recently a painting was assumed to be a framed board or canvas covered over with a selection of colours and hanging on a wall. Now paintings sometimes project out into space, can be frameless or have other characteristics previously unthought of.

In our time the subject matter of sculpture need not be limited to people or animals. Any shape in space will do. Nor must it be static and firmly set on a base. For example mobile sculptures, considered a revolutionary idea when first created by Sandy Calder in the early 1930s, are now common adornments on babies' cribs.

An even more revolutionary idea challenges our concept of art works as permanent objects. An example of the end product of such thinking is seen each winter during the festivals in such places as Ottawa and Quebec City or even this year at Lillehammer during the Olympics.

These are ice sculptures. They are often exquisite, some even breath-taking. We often look at these crystalline structures with mixed emotions, delight at the creativity, awe at the achievement, yet are sad over the ephemerality of the object which will gradually disappear when nature commands.

Perhaps as a direct result of the concept of impermanence some artists even question whether the artistic impulse should be more concerned with the process of making art or with the final achievement of the creation of an object. To many artists the satisfaction comes from act of the creation not from the end product, the work of art.

All of this wondering of mine lately came after watching artists in another medium begin the process of shaping a final creation. The medium, the theatre. The process, the gradual metamorphosis of people we know as friends and neighbours into the personalities assigned to them as required by the writer who created the play.

Granted dramatists (and composers also) do not need to agonize as artists do over whether the process or the end product is of greater significance or if permanence or ephemerality is preferred. Both are present in the dramatist's product.

This product, the play, although first defined by the writer does not remain static for every time it is performed it takes on a slightly different shape. As well, each performance encloses but a moment in time, the time taken to perform it, leaving only memories, for after the dramatist has done the work and published the text and thus, metaphorically speaking, set it in concrete, the play must still be molded both by the actors who speak the lines and by the director who shapes the overall effect.

The particular process that I was privileged to observe was an early rehearsal for the forthcoming presentation by the Highlands Little Theatre of "Daddy's Dying; Who's Got the Will" by Del Shore.

The process was fascinating for first I mingled with the soon-to-be actors, some I knew, some I had just met. As we chatted each became an individual: a diffident, thoughtful young man, a gracious hostess, and some bubbly people who were obviously friends who regaled us with their recent shared experiences in the deepening snow outside.

Then began the rehearsal. The gracious hostess instantly became a tough old bird with a manner of speech far removed from the gentlewoman I knew.

The diffident young man entered stage left as a laid-back non-conformist whose reputation preceded him. Soon the script called for him to show unexpectedly a distinctly courtly aspect to his character. On being offered a young woman's hand to shake he raised it to his lips. He made this seemingly uncharacteristic gesture believable, and in that moment the complex personality of his personae emerged.

The process of art in the making evolved before my eyes that evening. Each of the people chatting in that room became, as with the waving of a wand, their assigned character. Those personalities had first been created by the dramatist, then shaped by the director's concept of the dramatist's intent and finally honed into believable personae by the actors.

I had the good fortune to watch this process of art in the making. Each of you can share in the climactic moment, the presentation of the final product -- the play -- on the weekends of April 29 and May 7 at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School auditorium. Then like an ice sculpture this theatrical, artistic moment will evaporate into the air and be only a memory.



Meggan Winsley will be drawing illustrations for Marion Hare's column. The Grade 9 student takes art classes at HHSS

Young artist will illustrate Echo column

by KEITH MCKELVEY
HHSS Co-op Student

MAYBE YOU'VE SEEN one of the illustrations which have accompanied Marion J. Hare's column, "Art and Me," on March 24, or April 12. The drawing in March showed a native man standing with a bow poised, aimed at a deer. The second drawing, of Habitat, from Expo 67, at Montreal, is a confusing mass of blocks which was first created by Moshe Safdie, an architect, and believe it or not, many modern apartment buildings are based on this "Habitat."

If you saw the first picture, then maybe you glanced at the strip of words beside the drawing. The words, combined with the artist's signature on both of the drawings, inform you that a hometown artist, Meggan Winsley, drew the interesting pictures.

Meggan, a Grade 9 student at HHSS, daughter of John and Audrey Winsley, of Haliburton, will be drawing illustrations for Marion Hare's column. She says she gets ideas for the pictures

by reading Mrs. Hare's column, and the writer also gives her suggestions as to what to draw.

When asked how she got the job, Meggan says "There was a lady at my house because my mother is a Mary Kay consultant, and she noticed my drawing hanging on the wall. The lady happened to be Marion Hare, and she asked me if I would like to draw for her column."

Meggan is now taking the Grade 9 course of art at the highschool, and hopes to continue taking art classes throughout highschool.

Meggan also hopes to take an art course at Sir Sandford Fleming College's Summer School for the Arts at the highschool this summer, but she is unsure which course she wants to take. She says she would also like to pursue a career in art, either drawing pictures, or being a clothing designer.

Meggan says that sometimes in her free time she draws pictures, and she draws whatever she thinks of at that particular time.

Everyone at the Echo thinks that Meggan is doing a wonderful job, and hopes she keeps on drawing for Marion. Keep up the good work, Meggan.

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Doug Brohm, centre, the president of the Highlands Little Theatre, congratulates Jamie Woodman, left, and Debra Dart on their prize-winning collaboration in the troupe's logo contest

Thespians choose logo

The Highlands Little Theatre has announced the winner of its recent logo contest. The five-person selection committee had a difficult time in choosing the logo they thought would best represent the group. There were more than 20 submissions.

The concept for the winning logo came from Debra Dart, when she was designing a logo for Highland Drama Fest '92, the Eastern Ontario Drama League's one-act competitive play festival held in Haliburton in November, 1992. At the time, she mentioned the idea to local artist Jamie Woodman, who a year and a half later would recall the idea and create it on paper. It shows the theatre's traditional happy and sad faces melding into the pine trees which are so representative of the Highlands' beauty. The two women will share the \$100 prize.

The Highlands Little Theatre is delighted to have its own logo. It congratulates the two women and gives a warm round of applause for all the people who submitted their ideas. Please watch for the logo in promotional materials for all upcoming productions.

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Auction enlivens Sunday Supper Club

West Guilford Eleanor Cooper - 754-2278

The Sunday Supper Club was enlivened on April 10th with an auction sale called by Nancy Brinks. Some suggestion was made that she may be wasting her time being a florist! Anyway, it was lots of fun over small or larger items from toiletries to crafted materials.

Supper was made more attractive with roses and Easter eggs at the tables. Next time will be May 1st at the Centre as usual. Visitor Ruth Pogue from Guelph closed the April time with prayer.

Sunday April 10 was also a celebration for Derek Rolfe whose family surprised him with a party begun on Saturday evening, friends calling from former neighbourhood place and those from closer by. More called on Sunday, Derek's actual birthday.

Family and friends of Phrona (Barry) Sisson also gathered at her place, about 30 in all, to meet and greet Phrona's sister-in-law from England, Olive Barry, and her daughter Celia Cook. Another daughter, Alison

Barry now of Toronto was also present for the occasion. It sounded like lots of food, fun and chatter.

Getting back to the Supper Club. Nancy Elstone of Eagle Lake Food Town packed 40 bags of "Our Compliments" products for each of those present to take home, as well as a gift certificate each. One was a \$25 voucher for Food Town.

Sadly there are two bereavements to report: Vivian (Sisson) Tilbury of Woodstock and Doreen Lewis of West Guilford.

Vivian's funeral was held at Monk's Funeral Chapel which overflowed with family and friends whose loss is felt so keenly. Our sympathy is certainly with all of them.

Doreen's death is a loss not only to her husband, Bob Lewis, and family but also to Maple Lake United Church and our faith group. Doreen contributed generously in several ways to both and we will feel the loss badly.

Alex Sisson (son of Vicky and Marty) participated recently in the story-

telling section of public speaking competition at the Legion. Alex is a Grade 3 student and went on to compete at Bobcaygeon, and finally at Ajax where he was awarded honourable mention. Perhaps the limelight appeals to that family, since older brother Bob is active in high school drama which presented "Fool's Errand" and "Inside His Head" on April 7, 8 and 9. Marc Letourneau also from Pine Lake participated most effectively in this production. Highlands Little

Theatre can be assured of up and coming actors if said actors choose to remain in town following graduation.

Maple Lake United Church hosted the United Church men's group at dinner on Wed. April 13. Twenty were there for the meal served by the ladies of that congregation, and to hear the speaker Kristen (Monk) Cray.

Congratulations to mark Stamp and Colin Morrison for their part on their Midgets All-Ontario Championship.

Slate for election ready

Legion Branch 129

Keith Whiten

At the General Meeting held on Thursday, April 7th, the following members were nominated to run for office, at the next Annual General meeting:

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3rd Vice: Ken Fieldhouse, Vic Ibbotson
Secretary: Ed Pickard, Doreen Hawman.

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On the 21st of April, the Seniors monthly meeting will be a Pot Luck Supper. All seniors are welcome to attend. A pub crawl is being arranged for the 14th May, with the destinations yet to be announced. The annual trip to the Blue Jays has been scheduled for July

18th, and with only 45 seats available on this trip, book early!

To kick off our "D Day" celebrations, a Church Parade will be held on Sunday June 5th. On Monday June 6th, there will be an Open House from 1000 hrs. to 1600

This year it was decided by the General membership, to offer a 17' Deluxe Pontoon boat in the annual Boat draw. This will be equipped with a 25 h.p. electric start motor and a trailer. Tickets will be \$10 each and are to be available soon. Your support for this project will be greatly appreciated. For those involved in Branch sports activities, the Sports banquet will be held on June 16th at 1830 hrs.

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John Menzies

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Tuesday was a busy day for residents. In the morning, Betty Salvatori led the Bible Study. For lunch, volunteers took residents to Rip's for a roast beef lunch. After lunch everyone arrived home in time for bingo.

Thursday was Gord Kennedy Night. It is always a pleasure to here him play the hits of the past. You almost feel that you are there.

Rev. Christopher Greaves led the Church Service on Friday.

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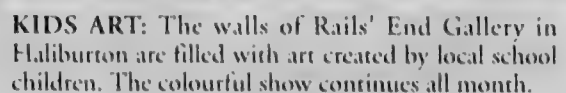
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by Susan Wilson

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by Eleanor Cooper

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This poem was written in honour of Shirley Milne's 60th birthday, but the sentiment is shared by many people in the Highlands. The author is Cliff Heckel of Stanhope, with the collaboration of his fellow golfers.

AN ODE TO SPRING AND OTHER THINGS

As springtime comes and flowers bloom
The snow disappears with winter's gloom.
Then something happens, a primal thing,
A feeling we know needs answering.

From deep in our loins the aching begins.
We feel like we're walking on needles and pins.

The urge becomes stronger it's hard to resist,
It's been a long time and longingly missed.

Our spines start to tingle, our heads are aglow
As we remember the feelings from not long ago.

Of when it's done right, feeling good to the core
And coming right back, wantonly asking for more.

It always starts slowly and we fantasized
Of perfect strokes then realized,
The moment is over and we're still not content,
Tomorrow lets try something quiet different.

You may think this rhyme is of birds and the bees.
But it's of other feelings that excite us and please.

It's of friends and relations with one common goal,
Of stuffing a golf ball down in a hole.



It's a stupid game I'm sure you'll agree.
First hitting a ball from a little white tee.
Then chasing it through the bush and the rough,
Some days we feel we've had quite enough.

But the very next day we come back for more.
Always in hopes of improving our score.
Out on the fairway "Oh sh-t" can be heard,
And when you whiff the first tee you feel like a nerd.

So take out your clubs, clean off the dust
And from your joints clean out the rust.
Tee up the ball and just let'er rip,
From golf's sweet cup take a good long sip.

You can play each day for a very good reason,
Your fees are paid up for all of the season.
From your friends and relations we all want to say
In this sixtieth year have a "Happy Birthday".

New disclosure form helps property buyers

The adage of 'buyer beware' is probably sound advice on any major purchase, but when it comes to real estate, a new vendor disclosure form is taking some of the guesswork away.

The form is already in use by Bowes and Cocks offices in Haliburton County, but it is expected to become standard across the industry in the near future.

Its purpose is to provide potential purchasers with important information about properties they're considering. It asks dozens of questions about such matters as ownership, the condition of septic and water systems, easements that may affect the property, taxes and special levies, defects in the structure itself and its systems, drainage and flood-

ing, zoning, potential nearby developments, and other matters a purchaser needs to know to make an informed decision. The objective is to ensure that no important information is concealed and avoid the prospect of legal problems or an unhappy buyer.

Lynn Craigmyle, manager for Bowes and Cocks in Haliburton, Minden and Bancroft, said his firm began using a vendor disclosure form on March 1.

The Muskoka Real Estate Board made use of the form mandatory for MLS listings on January 1, and since then Craigmyle says, some Muskoka realtors have told potential buyers that vendor disclosure forms are not being used in the Haliburton market.

"It's my feeling that most of the real estate boards in the province will follow with some type of vendor disclosure form, and I expect in the near future that it will be a requirement of the Haliburton Board."

While some real estate brokers in the area may already be using a type of vendor disclosure form, Craigmyle said the Haliburton Real Estate board has not adopted a standard form or made its use mandatory with MLS listings. Bowes and Cocks is currently using a standard form supplied by the Ontario Real Estate Association.

At present, vendors are not required to sign the form, but in the future it may form part of the standard documentation of a real estate sale.

Members Show opens at Minden gallery

April 16 brought with it the start of the Agnes Jamieson Gallery's annual Spring Members' Show.

Many of our talented painters and artists are displaying their work in the

Minden gallery's two rooms.

This year's show includes: paintings in acrylic, watercolour, pastel, oil, crochet, quilting, stained glass, basketry,

carving, woodwork and more ...

Come on in and browse through the very interesting display of talent that Haliburton County has to offer.

This show gives you all the opportunity to view the members' work and cast your vote in the four different categories marked on the ballot: painting - fabric/yarn

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At the closing reception, on May 7, 1994, the ballots will be counted and the four winners will be announced.

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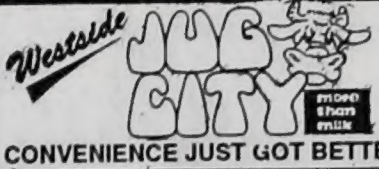
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CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISOR - Conestoga-Rovers & Associates (CRA) is seeking applications from qualified individuals for a contract position as a Resident Construction Supervisor. The project location is Haliburton, Ontario. The successful candidate will have 8-12 years of direct construction supervision and inspection experience, involving the construction of wastewater treatment plants, including structural concrete, process piping and pumping systems, mechanical equipment, building systems and site work. Experience with Ministry of the Environment & Energy contract administration procedures would be an asset. Conestoga-Rovers & Associates is a Waterloo, Ontario based multi-disciplinary consulting firm, specializing in environmental, civil and municipal engineering. CRA employs approximately 425 employees in offices located in Ontario and the U.S. Interested individuals are invited to submit resumes to the undersigned. Craig D. Hebert, P.Eng., Project Manager, Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, 651 Colby Drive, Waterloo, Ontario N2V 1C2 Tel: (519) 884-0510, Fax: (519) 884-0111.

CRUISE SHIP JOBS \$300 - \$900 weekly. Gift shops, casino dealers, deck hands, tour guides etc. No experience, hiring men/women. Call 1-(504)-641-1160 ext. C1234, 24 hrs.

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HELP WANTED: Summer Students to carry out individual programs for children with special needs over an eight week period this summer. Qualifications: Must be returning to school in September of 1994, must have excellent organizational and communication skills, be caring, understand the need for confidentiality and be flexible. Previous experience working with special needs children is an asset, but not necessary. Training will be provided and be ongoing throughout the summer. Please send a resume with covering letter to: Betty Pollard, S.I.R.C.H. Box 687 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. For further information please telephone 457-1742. Closing date: April 30, 1994. CA

HELP WANTED: S.I.R.C.H. is looking for caring individuals to become Host Families, with our Host Family Respite Program. Host Families provide in-home respite for children with special needs, or children of families experiencing a crisis. If you feel you are a caring family who would like to give something back to their community, by volunteering for this much needed service, please send a resume with covering letter to Betty Pollard, S.I.R.C.H. Box 687 Haliburton, Ontario K0M 1S0. For further information telephone 457-1742. CA

KITCHEN AND WAIT STAFF required for summer employment. Mail or drop off application to **Rudy's Restaurant**, General Delivery, Camarvon, Ont. K0M 1J0. CA

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The Haliburton County Association For Community Living is currently looking for an enthusiastic, flexible and self-motivated individual to work part time in their residential program. The hours work on a rotating schedule and they are both permanent and contractual positions. The successful candidate must have at least a Grade 12 education and have a valid drivers licence. Please send resume and covering letter to: **Cheryl Curry, P.O. Box 90, Haliburton, Ontario, K0M 1S0.** No later than April 27, 1994. CA

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"JACK & JILL DANCE" for RICK STAMP and PATTY RUSSELL
Saturday, April 23rd/94 - 8 p.m.
at Dystart Community Centre
\$5.00/person - Cash Bar
Friends and Relatives Welcome.

HALIBURTON WOMEN'S AGLOW
April 25, 1994
7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
J.D. Hodgson Sr. Elementary School Library
Fashion Show with Sylvia Holland
Speaker: Glenda Burk.

LEARNING DISABILITIES ASSOCIATION OF HALIBURTON COUNTY
You are invited to attend a meeting on Tuesday, April 26 at J.D. Hodgson School at 7:30 p.m. Topic: "Success Can Be Yours" *Dreams can come true even if you have a Learning Disability*
Guest Speaker: Paulene Washington
Refreshments, no charge.
All welcome. Call Pam Smith for more information. 754-1324. CA

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CLASSIFIEDS

280 COMING EVENTS

The Annual Spring Members' Show is on at AGNES JAMIESON GALLERY. Come in and see the display of artwork done by our members and vote for your favourite items. Show continues till May 7, Tues. - Sat. 10-4. Bobcaygeon Rd. North, Minden, 286-3763.

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Haliburton Legion BINGO

EVERY WEDNESDAY 7:30 p.m. \$300.00 JACKPOT \$40.00 per Game

THE HALIBURTON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY welcomes everyone to a meeting in the United Church on April 21, 1994 at 8 p.m. Speaker: Michelle Chambers Topic: Gardening in the North Refreshments

At the Rails' End Gallery: Vesuvio Series: Pompeii dye coupler photographs by Mary Pocock April 9th to May 14th

Young Expressions an exhibition showcasing the artistic talents of our County's children April 9th to 23rd Tuesday to Saturday, 10am to 5pm information: 705/457-2330

HIGHLANDS LITTLE THEATRE presents for your enjoyment: Del Shores' Daddy's Dyin', Who's Got The Will? April 29, 30 and May 6, 7 at H.H.S.S., curtain at 8:00 p.m. Sponsored by: Keaney Chrysler - Minden Advance Tickets available at: Paulettes & Under Cover Books in Haliburton, The Storeroom in Minden. Advance Tickets - General \$7.00, Seniors/Students \$5.00. At the door - General \$8.00, Seniors/Students \$6.00

CA

291 FLEA MARKETS

VENDORS WANTED for indoor flea market in Tory Hill OPENING 24th of May. Call 457-4506

300 AUCTIONS

CALVIN MABEE AUCTION Saturday, April 30, 10 a.m. Large Estate Auction sale of antiques, furniture, appliances, new ladies and childrens wares and store items (1986 Buick Park Ave.). Featuring the property of the late Marg Louisa Pyke of Norland. A fashion clothing shop and store fixtures from Fenelon Falls and the property of Mrs. Ruth Jones. Contents of a century farm house. All to be held at the Mabree Auction Centre on Hwy. #35, 1 mile north of Rosedale. Don't miss it. Calvin Mabree Auctions, Cambray (705) 374-4800 or Rosedale 454-2841.

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310 NOTICES

"DAFFODILS" A support group for people who have been or are now challenged with cancer. Meeting: Last Thursday of each month. Place: St. George's Anglican Church, Haliburton. Time: 2:00 - 3:30 p.m. Family members welcome. Contacts: Jean Casey 457-1010, Vance English 457-1834.

BARK LAKE LEADERSHIP CENTRE 1994 Spring & Summer Program Catalogue available Youth and Adult Opportunities Bark Lake Leadership Centre offers a series of community, outdoor, leisure and environmental leadership courses. This spring and summer-over-20 programs are being offered: youth leadership courses, adult seminars and contemporary professional development workshops. Courses are introductory and special focus and all provide an exciting and challenging learning opportunity. Call (705) 447-2452 to receive a Program Catalogue.

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THE DEADLINE FOR CLASSIFIEDS is Friday at 5 p.m.

310 NOTICES

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- Baha'u'llah

For Information Call 754-2493 489-4513

HALIBURTON COUNTY CHILDREN'S CONCERT SERIES Annual General Meeting Thursday, April 21, 8:00 p.m. C.H.A.C.E. Place, Haliburton Everyone Welcome Refreshments available. For more information 754-3512.

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FLOYD HALL INSURANCE BROKERS LTD. wishes to announce that JUDY McCracken will be in our Haliburton Service Office every Thursday 8am-4pm Curry Bldg. Maple Ave. 457-2481

PUBLIC MEETING Regarding Forest Realty Taxation Issue Sponsored by: Haliburton Forest Owners Assoc. Meeting: Thurs. April 21, 7:00 p.m. at the PineStone Resort and Conference Centre. All interested and concerned individuals are welcome.

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The ECHO Classifieds 457-1037

310 NOTICES

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311 GREETINGS

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320 PERSONAL

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330 THANK YOU

THE HIGHLANDS LITTLE THEATRE thanks all participants in its recent logo contest. All 25 submissions were exciting, artistic and tasteful. The winning entry was the shared submission of Jamie Woodman and Debra Dart. Congratulations ladies.

The family of the late EDWARD MILLER wish to thank friends, neighbours and family for their expressions of love and sympathy during our recent loss. Thank you to all who generously gave flowers, memorial donations, sympathy cards and food. Special thanks to Dr. Good and Extendercare nurses, staff and volunteers. We extend our sincere appreciation.

330 THANK YOU

Continued ation to Pastor Brian Plouffe, Honorary Pall bearers, Haliburton Community Funeral Home and Lake-side Baptist Church Mission Circle for preparing lunch. The Miller family.

I WOULD LIKE to express my sincere gratitude to my family, friends, neighbours and many others in the county for all their help throughout my hospitalization and recovery. Your flowers, visits, phone calls, prayers and helping hands were very much appreciated. There are too many of you to mention, but I hope to thank you all personally in time. Thank you again, sincerely, Sandy (Wootton) Trantau.

I WOULD LIKE to say thank you to Cliff for writing the poem, to all the gang for the lovely gifts to Jerry and Ralph Palmer for supplying a house for the beautiful dinner. Love to all. Shirley.

ON BEHALF OF the Women's Emergency House for Haliburton County, we would like to extend thanks and appreciation to the following community businesses for prizes and services donated to the benefit dance on Sat. April 9: Back to the Basics, Haliburton; Bins & Baskets, Haliburton; Carnarvon Building Supplies, Carnarvon; Stedmans, Minden; The Kitchen Shop, Haliburton; Evergreen 3000, Haliburton; D&S Discounts, Minden; Rattlin' Creek Music, Haliburton; Minden IDA; Paulette's Gifts, Haliburton; The Village Court Pharmacy, Haliburton; The Store Room, Minden; Stedmans, Haliburton; Danielle's Hair Salon, Haliburton; McKeck's Place, Haliburton; The Magic Touch, Haliburton; Rudy's Restaurant, Carnarvon; Halco Electronics, Haliburton; Jasco Drug Mart, Haliburton; The Pizza Den, Haliburton; The Gift House North, Haliburton; The Haliburton Legion (Branch 129); Kidd Country Band. S.I.R.C.H.

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340 BIRTHS

BARNES - Wyatt, Kim and Carolyn are pleased to announce the birth of TESSA MCCARTHY BARNES 8 lbs. 12 ozs. "Pom pom" was born at Haliburton Hospital at 12:40 p.m. on April 3, 1994. She's the 14th grandchild for Lloyd and Pat Barnes of Wilberforce and the 2nd grandchild for Mike and Terry Barrett of Boswell, B.C. Thank you to Dr. Tina for prenatal care and to Dr. Kristy and Nurse Debbie for a special delivery.

HUNTER - Jeff and Nanci are pleased to announce the birth of their first child

RYAN JAMES Born April 11, 1994 at 6:23 p.m. at Peterborough Civic weighing 6 lbs., 8 ozs. Proud first grandparents are Wendy and Murray Hunter and Ron and Mavis Elstone.

360 ENGAGEMENTS

Gary and Sally Stoughton of Wilberforce are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter CHARLENE ANNE to ROBERT DAVID son of Floyd and Yvonne Johnson of Bowmanville. Wedding to take place June 17, 1994 in Oshawa.

380 ANNIVERSARIES

Friends and family are welcome to attend the 25th Anniversary for MARLENE AND WAYNE CHATTERTON on April 30, 1994 at the Harcourt Community Centre commencing at 8 p.m.

390 DEATH NOTICES

AT REST At Strathaven Lifecare Centre, Bowmanville on Tuesday, April 12, 1994

DOROTHY LEWIS In her 87th year. Dorothy Switzer, beloved wife of the late Kenneth Lewis. Dear mother of Maurice and his wife Gail of Pickering and Joyce (Mrs. Ray McColl) of Bowmanville. Loving grandmother of George, Carolyn and Susan Lewis, Brent McColl, Shari Rowen and the late Vanda McColl. Great grandmother of Elliott and Julia. Sister of Clarence, Althea and the late Grace, Fred, Flossie and Leonard. Friends were able to call at the Morris Funeral Chapel 4 Division St., Bowmanville on Wednesday. Funeral service was held in our Chapel on Thursday at 11 a.m. Spring Interment Deer Lake Cemetery, Highland Grove. Donations to the Diabetes Association or Arthritis Society in her memory would be appreciated.

AT REST At the Oshawa General hospital on Thursday April 14, 1994 J. DOREEN LEWIS Doreen Clark in her 64th year. Beloved wife of Robert Lewis of Haliburton. Dear mother of Susanne and her husband Reinhold Shumann of Newcastle, Jocelyn and her husband Peter Hirschmann of Oshawa, Richard and his wife Patricia of Bethany, and Barry of Oshawa. Dear sister of Joan Bembridge of Sackville, NB and George Clark of Oshawa. Lovingly remembered by eleven grandchildren and six great grandchildren. Resting at the Armstrong Funeral Home, 124 King Street East, Oshawa with funeral service in the chapel on Monday April 18 at 11 a.m. Interment Mt. Lawn Memorial Gardens, Whitby. Memorial donations to the Ontario Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated.

400 IN MEMORIAM

HUNTER, GEORGE - In memory of George Hunter who passed away April 19, 1991. Silent memories true and tender Just to show we still remember Remembered always by Betty, Larry and Trevor.

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410 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND OTHERS In the matter of the estate of NEWTON JOHN SMALE Anyone having a claim against the Estate of Newton John Smale late of the Village of Harcourt, in the County of Haliburton, who died on or about December 9, 1993, file same with the undersigned not later than April 25, 1994 after which time, complete distribution may be made by the Executors having regard only to the claims then filed. NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, EXECUTORS by their Solicitors: STAPLES, SWAIN AND GUNSOLUS, 10 William Street South, P.O. Box 455, Lindsay, Ontario K9V 3A4. Attention: Drew S. Gunsolus.

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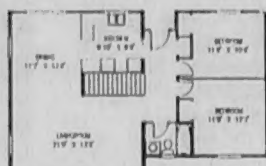
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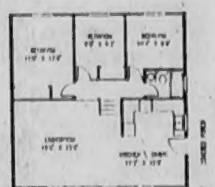
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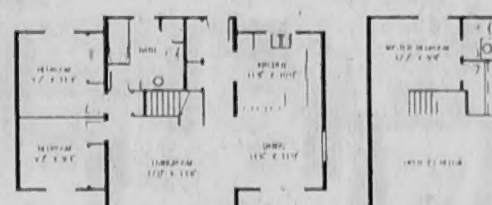
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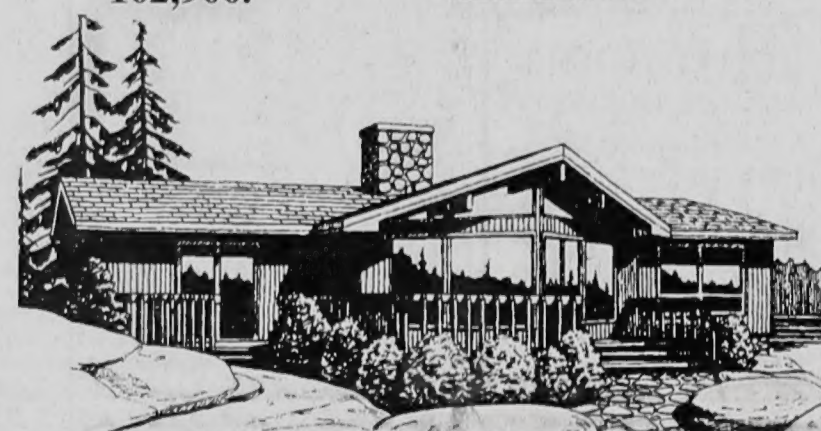
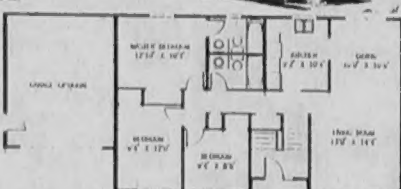
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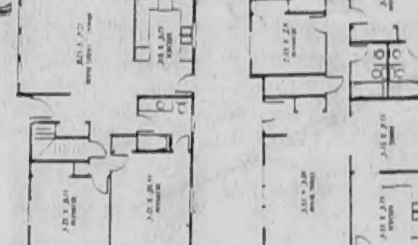
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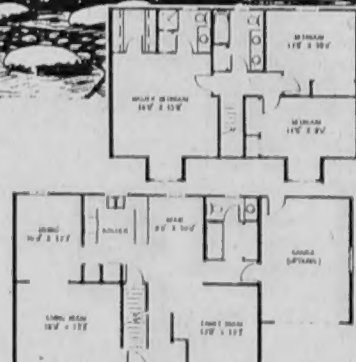
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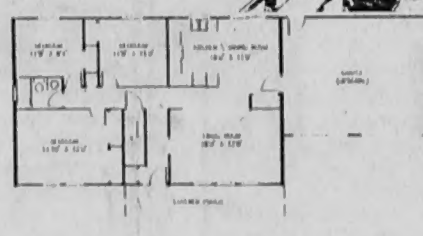
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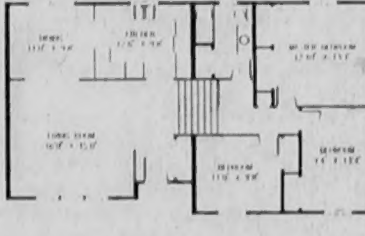
IDEAL FOR RETIREMENT
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HIGHWAY 118
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